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..GENERAL GIRAUD IS SELECTED TO SUCCEED DARLAN

Reds Assert 22 Nazi Divisions Doomed

..arlan's Death May ..ake Him Martyr To ..nity Of Frenchmen

Interpretation By
..rke L. Simpson
(Wide World War Analyst)

..atever its political repercussions ..e motive behind the assassina- ..of Admiral Darlan, its only im- ..iate effect on the military situa- ..n North Africa must be to inten- ..he Allied effort to close the Afri- ..nut-cracker upon the Axis foe ..out delay.

..ce that was achieved and the .. thrown out of Africa or penned ..nder siege, there is little reason ..ssume that pro-Axis sentiment ..g the French in Africa, if there ..y such feeling, could have any ..rtant influence there, political or ..ary. And there is every indication .. General Eisenhower's Anglo- ..rican armies and their French al- .. were already poising for triple ..k when Darlan fell. They may .. struck since his death.

.. the wanton murder of the little ..ch admiral leads to a healing of .. factional breach between two ..ch elements, both fighting the .. but suspicious of each other's ..ical ambitions, the act would de- .. recording on Darlan's tomb. Fu- .. French historians may set him ..n as martyred in the cause of ..ch unity and freedom, whatever ..ts now exist among some of his ..trymen as to the sincerity of his ..n to the Allied fold.

..ord of his assassination set the .. propaganda mill whirring. The .. it played was that British secret ..s had instigated the murder to .. London escape political embar- ..nent due to British alignment with .. De Gaulle fight French faction ..rly opposed to Darlan.

..at Nazi propaganda campaign ..s to be more directed at public ..ion in France itself than to ..ch-African colonies. All French-

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..RE DESTROYS FIVE BUILDINGS

..5,000 Establishment Of Twin City Tire Company Burns

..onroe experienced one of its worst .. in years during the early morn- .. hours yesterday when a blaze ..ch originated in the home of a ..ro at 104 Hipp Marx alley spread ..dly, destroying five buildings, in- ..ing the $25,000 business establish- ..t of the Twin City Tire company, .. DeSiard street, and damaging ..t other buildings.

..e fire, described by Monroe fire- .. who answered a general alarm ..t 2:30 a. m. as one of the worst .. in the history of Monroe, caused ..pitalization of two firemen for ..tment of painful burns when a ..ing wall collapsed on them, dam- .. the city lighting system to such ..extent that most of Monroe was ..hout electrical power for more .. an hour, and finally led to the ..st of a 39-year-old St. Joseph ..ro who has been accused of ar-

..arrison Sims, St. Joseph negro ..her who came to Monroe a week .. was in the Ouachita parish jail .. night accused of setting fire to .. house in which he had lived for ..eek. Sheriff Milton Coverdale .. formal charges of arson would ..filed against the negro before Dis- ..t Attorney George Lester tomor- ..

..ms was arrested by Police Offi- .. Bob Dartez and Richard Minor ..he scene of the blaze at 4 a. m. ..terday. Sheriff Coverdale, Police ..ef B. L. Brantley, Deputy State .. Marshal Amos Smelser, Sergeant .. L. Tolbert, police secretary, and .. Inspector L. J. Hunnicutt later ..stioned the negro who confessed ..ing fire to the house after having ..me trouble with my wife."

..he blaze originated in the home of ..rion Foster, negro, at 104 Hipp ..rx alley. Besides Foster, who

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..ONFEDERATE VET DIES IN ORLEANS

..EW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)— ..ncois Bourgeois, 98, one of the last ..viving Confederate veterans here, ..d today.

..ourgeois was born in St. Charles ..ish November 25, 1845. He left the ..ition of overseer of his father's ..ntation in the Civil war to join the ..ican battery of the third Louisiana ..talion and fought in many battles.

..he Louisiana legislature granted .. a war pension of $1,080 on July .. 1941, after debate which ran ..ugh three regular sessions.

..ourgeois was twice married.

MORE REGISTERING

..EW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)— ..ing men who became 18 years of .. in November and December began ..istration for selective service in .. armed forces today. Registration .. this group will continue through ..cember 31, Lieutenant Colonel Har- ..n P. Agnew, of the State Selective ..vice, announced.

BELIEVE TROOPS BETWEEN RIVERS CANNOT ESCAPE

Offensives In Other Sectors Are Moving Forward Steadily

VAST STORES OF MATERIEL ARE SEIZED BY RUSSIANS

Middle Don Offensive Carried To Within 105 Miles Of Rostov

MOSCOW, Sunday, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Russian troops have driven within 105 miles of Rostov in their middle Don offensive that has taken a toll of 116,000 Germans in 11 days, and another Red army unit rolling southwest of Stalingrad is nearing Kotelnikovski, the Soviets announced early today in another special communique.

The Russian army newspaper Red Star said this latter drive already had sealed the fate of 22 German divisions pinned between the Don and Volga rivers before the ruined city of Stalingrad.

By announcing the capture of Verkhnetarasov on the Moscow-Rostov railway and other towns nearby, the Russians disclosed that the Red army was now 190 miles behind the German siege army trapped before Stalingrad. Other Soviet units are clearing the Don river bend which is between Stalingrad and Rostov.

Since the middle Don offensive ground forward December 16 the Russians said they had taken 56,000 prisoners and killed 60,000 Germans. These totals were reached by the declared siezure of another 6,300 Nazis yesterday and the killing of 3,000 on the snowy Don steppes.

This middle Don offensive also was well west of the Moscow-Rostov railway, entering the Ukraine with the apparent aim of trying to reach Khar-

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STORM STRIKES IN MISSISSIPPI

Several Injured, More Than 20 Buildings Destroyed Or Damaged

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Several persons were reported injured, a few possibly seriously, and more than 20 houses and other buildings destroyed or damaged in Simpson county near noon today as a tornado ripped through the D'Lo-Merrett-Mendenhall area, it was reported here tonight.

Three of the injured were brought to a Jackson hospital. Most of the others were reported suffering only minor bruises and scratches.

Sheriff Preston B. Allen of Simpson county reported from Mendenhall tonight that "20 or 30 houses were blown down or damaged" near there as "a twister hit about 11:30 a. m., ripping a path about 250 yards wide and about a mile long" between D'Lo and Merrett.

Telephone lines were out to D'Lo, but damage there reportedly included two negro churches and several small houses destroyed and one business house unroofed.

Damage at nearby Pinola, it was reported, included four or five houses blown down and several others damaged. There were no reports of injuries there.

Brought here by ambulance were Mrs. Dessie Peacock, 37, of near Merrett, and her two children, Dan, 7, and Lavel, 10. The mother and older son were suffering from possibly ser-

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PAY FOR READING PAPERS AT STAND

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Irked by passersby who stop to read headlines without buying a paper, Follene Stoltz, downtown sidewalk news dealer, decided to just laugh it off and profited thereby.

His news stand sign now reads: "Special rates for the duration, headline readers 2c per week, front page readers 5c per week. Customers exempted."

"It works swell," Stoltz said after a try. "People look at it and laugh. In two days I got 40 cents out of that sign. People would stop and laugh, then put down two cents."

British Capture Ridge Northeast Of Medjez-El-Bab

Gain New Positions Along Arc Six Miles East Of Vital Junction

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—British guards fighting a 48-hour see-saw battle through the Christmas holidays drove the Germans up to the topmost heights of a ridge northeast of Medjez-El-Bab and gained new positions along an arc six miles east of that vital junction point, reports from North Africa declared tonight.

An Allied command communique said that units of the British brigade of guards went into the battle Christmas eve despite mud and cold, driving rain of Tunisia and finally gained their objective late on Christmas day.

Elsewhere in the North African area, the communique said, British submarines patrolling the Axis supply line to Tunisia sank two merchant ships of 6,000 tons and possibly sank a destroyer while Allied aircraft attacked enemy troops at Sfax, on the eastern Tunisian coast, and objectives near Gabes, also in eastern Tunisia.

Earlier British and American troops were reported to have thrust to within 12 miles of the Axis stronghold of

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WILL BROADCAST RATIONING NEWS

Important Announcement On Food Situation Will Be Made

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—An "important announcement on the food situation" will be broadcast over the four radio networks at 8 p.m., eastern war time, tomorrow, and informed officials said tonight it was expected a point rationing system for canned foods would be disclosed.

These officials, who requested they not be further identified, said the rationing program probably would go into effect within a month as a wartime food conservation measure.

The office of war information announced the Sunday broadcast in a brief statement which said Food Administrator Claude R. Wickard and OWI Director Elmer Davis would appear on a half-hour program to make announcements of "unusual importance, directly affecting every family in America."

No further information was given by OWI, but a spokesman said the networks—Columbia, Mutual, National and Blue—had donated the time for the unusual presentation.

The point-rationing system, if it is put into effect, would be similar to the system that has been in use in England for some time. It is used there for food as well as clothing, and the office of price administration recently reported that British housewives have "learned to welcome point ratioining."

Another official source, who likewise requested anonymity, said that under the contemplated program householders would be required to declare all stocks on hand of goods to be rationed.

This source said the rationing of canned foods would be followed shortly by meat rationing, which already has been announced as in prospect after the first of the year.

No information was available tonight as to how many types of canned foodstuffs would be affected, nor whether some frozen or dried fruits

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$43,711.53 ESTATE TAX REFUND SOUGHT

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Suit was filed today in federal district court by seven members of the Vaccaro family against the collector of internal revenue seeking an additional refund of $43,711.53 paid as estate taxes on the estate of the late Luca Vaccaro, who died November 29, 1936.

The members of the Vaccaro family bringing the suit are Mrs. Marie L. Vaccaro, widow of Luca Vaccaro, Frances, Marion, Lucas and Regis Vaccaro, Mrs. Mary Vaccaro Bertenneau and Mrs. Philomene V. Ferina.

Plaintiffs claim payment originally of $83,152.20 estate taxes and later deficiency demands by the internal revenue collector for $64,584.60 plus interest of $9,640.54. The estate also entered suit against the collector for $7,407.41 plus $653.98 interest on the grounds of over-assessment of the estate.

CHRISTMAS DAY ATTACK ON JAPS MADE AT RABAUL

Fortresses Raid Ships As Part Of Harassment Of Enemy Base

ENEMY FIGHTER AIRCRAFT FAIL TO DAMAGE BOMBERS

Twin Aerial Campaign Expected To Hamper Nipponese Actions

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, Sunday, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Allied airmen downed eight Japanese fighters over New Guinea and three more Zeros over New Britain yesterday (Saturday) to take the operational spotlight as Australian and American ground forces pressed the comparatively unspectacular but successful envelopment of the enemy's tenaciously held positions near Buna.

American fighter planes and Australian-flown Hudsons tangled with at least 12 Zeros over the Buna battle area in a number of scattered dogfights. The incomplete aerial picture revealed that the Japanese lost eight Zeros—three by the guns of the Hudson bombers—and the Allies lost three planes.

A Consolidated B-24 accounted for the remainder of the day's bag when it shot down three and possibly a fourth of 12 Zeros which attacked the big four-engined bombers while reconnoitering over New Britain island.

By John M. Hightower

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Army Flying Fortresses, operating from the American air field on Guadalcanal island, made a Christmas day attack on Japanese ships at Rabaul, the navy announced today. The raid was seen here as opening a campaign to keep that strategic enemy base under steady aerial assault from both the Solomons and Australia.

Three direct hits were scored on a large transport or cargo ship, the communique said, and "several near-hits fell close to three small cargo ships."

"A force of enemy fighters took off but did not attack our bombers," the official report added. The explanation might be that the heavily-armed and Armored Fortresses have proved themselves masters of Japanese fight-

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GENERAL GELLETTE DECORATES HIS SON

FORT BENNING, Ga., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Dressed in the Confederate uniform of a major general, O. R. Gellette, 97, last member of General Robert E. Lee's staff, pinned the gold bars of a second lieutenant on the shoulders of his son, William Candler Gellette, here today.

The aged man from Shreveport, La., smilingly acknowledged the applause when he was introduced as the honored guest at Fort Benning's infantry school graduating exercises.

The three gold stars of his former rank, and an open wreath embroidered on his collar, stood out in marked contrast to the two gold bars he placed on the shoulders of his son.

General Gellette fought in 13 major battles after enlisting in the militia in Mississippi, his native state, during the war between the states.

Later he served with Jeb Stuart's cavalry, and with Stonewall Jackson. He was at the latter's side when Jackson was fatally wounded at Chancellorsville, Va.

After the war, General Gellette attended Washington and Lee university and received a degree in Medicine. Active as a practicing physician in the first World war, he worked to perfect a diet for convalescent influenza victims.

Enroute to Fort Benning—a 600-mile trip from Shreveport—the veteran was forced to stand for approximately 125 miles of the way. "I paid the penalty for not looking my age," he said.

The Gellettes, father and son, left for the return trip to Shreveport later today.

Children's Christmas Wishes Fulfilled

Five-year-old Bruce McCandless, Jr. (left) listens while his sister, Susan, 3, tells Santa Claus that their biggest Christmas wish—to see their daddy again—has been fulfilled. The father, Commander Bruce McCandless, holding Bruce, Jr., returned recently to their home at Long Beach, Calif., after receiving the congressional medal of honor for heroism while serving as executive officer aboard the U. S. cruiser San Francisco in the recent Solomon islands battle. Commander McCandless took charge of the cruiser after Admiral Daniel J. Callaghan and other superior officers were killed.

BRITISH BURMA DRIVE DEEPENS

Stabs Extend 110 Miles Northeast Of Bay Of Bengal Port Of Akyab

NEW DELHI, Dec. 26.—(AP)—British stabs at Burma extended 110 miles northeast of the Bay of Bengal port of Akyab in the Chin hills, a British communique announced today, while patrols within 50 miles of Akyab maintained steady pressure on the Japanese.

(An indication that the R. A. F. had established an air base in Burma was found in a Berlin broadcast of a Tokyo dispatch saying "23 enemy aircraft were brought down or destroyed on the ground in Burma between December 21-26.")

The British cautioned again that all land operations were merely small-scale probings and that air attacks presently were the weightiest offensive actions.

The Toungoo airdrome in Burma was raided again yesterday and several Japanese planes were destroyed aground. An oil tank at Chauk, railway cars at Kyaukadaung, buildings at Akyab, trains and locomotives near Monywa and a large river steamer and other boats on the Chindwin river were hit.

The action in the Chin hills occurred two days ago. The British had captured high ground and Japanese patrols attempted to rout General Wavell's men with crossfire. The British said the Japanese were repelled with losses. The Chin hills lie along the Indian frontier north and slightly east of the Arakan area where the British are nearest Akyab.

Calcutta was free of Japanese bombers last night after four successive raids. The humble Indians were a bit shaky in the knees but none of the vital services such as electricity, water and trolley service was affected. Damage to the city was superficial.

Small fires were controlled swiftly. When the bombers were overhead, the Indians tended to congregate at railway stations or flee over the Howrah bridge across the Ganges.

TIRE ALLOTMENTS SHARPLY INCREASED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The office of price administration sharply increased today the quota of truck tire recapping services and passenger car tire allotments for January.

The January allotment of 368,200 recapping services compares with the December allotment of 149,250.

Passenger car tire allotments for January follow:

Grade one, 161,000 compared with 126,097 for December; grade two, 230,000 compared with 368,000; grade three, 690,000 compared with 92,000.

The passenger car tire recapping quota for January is 800,000, compared with 887,245 for December, and the passenger car tube quota 709,336 compared with 357,372.

The truck tire quota for January is 345,307, and the allotment for farm tractors and implements is 21,000. The December quota for these two classifications was lumped at 340,229.

BENES PREDICTS VICTORY IN 1943

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Eduard Benes, president of the provisional Czechoslovak government, declared tonight that 1943 would "quite certainly bring a victorious decision."

Benes, in a Christmas message to the Czechs, said he had information that the Germans already were preparing to launch peace movements through neutral intermediaries and that reliable reports from inside Germany show that German generals are plotting to overthrow Hitler.

"They wish to bring about peace before it is too late," he said.

..Benes predicted an Allied invasion of Europe within the next few months, Italy's early collapse and withdrawal from the war and a "literally hellish" bombing of Germany.

"The war will not last much longer," he said. "We are entering a year which will, indeed, be the hardest, full of exciting, fateful events, but which, however, will quite certainly bring us a victorious decision."

PRESIDENT, WIFE MOTOR TO FAIRFAX

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—President and Mrs. Roosevelt slipped quietly away from the White House late today and motored to nearby Fairfax, Va., to attend the marriage of a distant relative, Miss Belle Wyatt Roosevelt, granddaughter of the late President Theodore Roosevelt, to John Gorham Palfrey, Jr., of Boston.

The ceremony, attended only by members of both families and close friends, took place in Truro Protestant Episcopal church, which dates back to Civil war days.

The bride is a daughter of Major and Mrs. Kermit Roosevelt and a niece of Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth, widow of the late speaker of the house. She is a member of the senior class at Barnard college, New York City.

Young Palfrey is a graduate of Harvard, clas of 1940, and attended Harvard law school until his enlistment in the army signal corps.

ORLEANS EMPLOYES TO BE 'BLANKETED'

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Approximately 6,500 city employes will be blanketed in their present jobs January 1, when the city civil service statute takes effect, simultaneously with state civil service.

William W. Shaw, director of personnel for the city civil service department, said no qualifying examinations would be required of present job holders in city departments but that state employes would be expected to take examinations.

Shaw said the department of personnel was now being organized to offer examinations for future city job appointments under civil service.

Civil service which was scheduled to become effective last July was delayed until January 1 by the legislature at last summer's special session.

ACCIDENT DEATHS LOW AT YULETIDE

Only 233 Fatalities Reported Compared To 431 Last Christmas

(By Associated Press)

The nation enjoyed one of its safest Christmas holidays of the modern era this year, reports showed last night when the toll of accidental deaths stood at 233, of whom 136 died in traffic mishaps.

Although the figure was high, it compared to 431 deaths recorded last year, of whom 334 were traffic victims.

California led the states in fatalities with 30, of which 18 resulted from auto accidents. Gasoline and tire rationing and the resultant decline in the number of motorists on the highways were chief reasons for the decline in the death rate.

The total deaths by states including the number of traffic victims, follows:

Alabama, 1, traffic; Arizona, 5, traffic; California, 30, traffic, 18; Connecticut, 4, traffic, 3; Florida, 5, traffic, 2; Georgia, 1, traffic; Illinois, 26, traffic, 11; Indiana, 8, traffic, 5; Iowa, 1, traffic.

Kansas, 3; Kentucky, 1, traffic; Maryland, 6, traffic, 5; Massachusetts, 2, traffic; Michigan, 10, traffic, 6; Minnesota, 2, traffic, 1; Mississippi, 2; Missouri, 6, traffic, 4; Montana, 1.

Nebraska, 4, traffic, 3; Nevada, 4, traffic; New Jersey, 15, traffic, 9; New Mexico, 4, traffic; New York, 17, traffic, 7; North Carolina, 6, traffic, 5; Ohio, 17, traffic, 8; Oklahoma, 1, traffic.

Oregon, 4, traffic; Pennsylvania, 14, traffic, 6; South Carolina, 1, traffic; Tennessee, 5; Utah, 3, traffic; Virginia, 3, traffic, 2; Washington, 9, traffic, 4; West Virginia, 9, traffic, 3; Wisconsin, 3, traffic, 2.

FALLING GUNNER DOWNS NAZI PLANE

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Although falling itself in its final, steep death dive, a Flying Fortress which was reported missing after the raid last Sunday on Romilly-Sur-Seine was disclosed today to have taken one more Nazi fighter with it.

Staff Sergeant Jack D. Snell of Sedalia, Mo., told interrogation officers of the Eighth United States air force about it after returning from the same raid.

"Four Forts were flying in close formation under incessant attack," Snell said. "Finally, the rear plane started downward in its final steep dive.

"Closing in to make sure of the kill came an enemy Focke-Wulf 190.

"I saw the top turret gunner spin his guns into position and open fire. All of a sudden the Hun came apart in the air. I guess it was the last gun the Fort fired."

The plane was one of six missing from the raid in which at least 44 enemy planes were destroyed.

YOUNG ASSASSIN IS PUT TO DEATH BY FIRING SQUAD

Executed Day After French Military Tribunal Imposes Sentence

UNITY AMONG 2 DIVERGENT FACTIONS BELIEVED NEAR

De Gaulle Expected To Approve Appointment Of Fighting General

ALGIERS, Sunday, Dec. 27.—(AP)—General Henri Honore Giraud, a fighting Frenchman who has escaped from German prisons in two wars and who was military commander of the French in Africa under the assassinated Admiral Jean Darlan, has been named to succeed Darlan as French high commissioner in North Africa.

The selection by the council governing the vast African empire of the French was made a few hours after an impressive funeral was given his assassinated predecessor, a funeral in which Giraud himself paid his final tribute to Darlan.

Attending the council meeting at which the famous soldier, now in his 60s, was chosen were Giraud, General Auguste Nogues, governor of French Morocco, Pierre Boisson, governor general of French West Africa who recently opened the important port of Dakar to the Allies, Yves Chatel, governor of Algeria, and General Jean Marie Bergeret, former aviation secretary in the Vichy French cabinet.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The young gunman who assassinated Admiral Jean Darlan on Christmas Eve was reported today to have died at dawn before a firing squad, and French political leaders met tonight to discuss a successor, perhaps General Henri Giraud, to rally divergent French groups in the approaching showdown fight with the Axis.

Lieutenant General Dwight D. Eisenhower, American leader of the Allied north African campaign who

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BODY OF BEATEN CHILD IS FOUND

45-Year-Old Paint Sprayer Taken Into Custody For Questioning

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The raped and beaten body of 10-year-old Helen Sellers, missing since Christmas eve, was found today under an abandoned freight warehouse and a few hours later a 45-year-old man was taken into custody for questioning, Detective Frank Harrison reported.

Harrison said the man, a paint sprayer, was apprehended by police in an alley near the warehouse.

Shortly before the suspect's capture, Coroner Frank M. Coppock said the girl "had been horribly attacked." She might have been dead about 12 hours, he added.

The child's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Sellers, located by police three hours after Helen's body had been found, were under questioning, Police Lieutenant Louis Vollmer said.

Vollmer said the father, a laborer for the same concern 23 years, had gone to a cafe with his wife and the child Christmas eve to cash a pay check. The child disappeared and the mother waited there until closing time for her return, Vollmer quoted Mrs. Sellers. Police then were asked to start a search.

Detective Lieutenant Stanley Schrotel disclosed the girl's left hand was smeared with an aluminum paint and Detective Millard Schath reported there was a spot of aluminum dust on a brick bat found near the body.

Patrolman John O'Neal, searching under the warehouse with a flashlight, found the body under a pasteboard covering which yielded when he stepped on it.

Vollmer said the girl's underwear

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JUSTICE O'NIELL TO OBSERVE 20TH YEAR

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Chief Justice Charles A. O'Niell of the supreme court of Louisiana next Wednesday celebrates his 20th anniversary as chief justice but court attaches said it would mark "just another full day of hard work" for the 73-year-old jurist.

Justice O'Niell, born in Franklin, La., September 7, 1869, will pass another milestone on May 19, 1943, anniversary of his 50th year as a member of the state bar. He began his career as a member of the supreme court on April 6, 1914.

BRITISH USE 5 RATION SYSTEMS

Supplies Shorter Than In U. S. But Situation Handled Well

(EDITOR'S NOTE: After three years of war the British have worked out five rationing systems, simplified rules. In this last of four of their daily columns on Great Britain's methods of food control business writers James Marlow and George Zielke explain the island kingdom's distribution, rationing and price controls.)

By James Marlow And George Zielke

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The British, forced into tight food controls by shortages, have five rationing systems. We have one. By the end of January we'll probably have two.

British supplies are shorter than ours. Ours will be shorter before they're longer. The British have been in the war longer than we. Some of the steps they have taken we may have to take.

An American institute of food distribution survey of British food control methods shows:

In Britain it's women and children first—for milk—under a special rationing system called "differential." There are also other firsts.

The differential system takes care of groups needing special consideration: Children, invalids, persons suffering from particular diseases, vegetarians and certain classes of workers.

Children get the same ration as adults except meat, where their ration is half that of adults. Diabetics get extra butter and margarine and meat but must give up sugar coupons.

Vegetarians receive an extra ration of cheese but must give up meat and bacon coupons for this.

In accordance with this system, the British have set up priority distribution to supply a particular food like milk to those who need it most, such as children of certain ages and nursing or pregnant women. They receive it daily and can have it free if necessary.

There are also establishments which have priorities on milk, such as hospitals, maternity homes, convalescent homes, orphanages.

Children have also been given priorities in the distribution of oranges and receive free allowances of cod liver oil compound and fruit juices. There is also a certain priority in the distribution of eggs for them.

There are four other types of rationing for the civilian population: Ordinary rationing, group rationing, points rationing and registriation rationing.

Ordinary rationing is like our system of rationing sugar and coffee. A fixed quantity is allowed each consumer and this must be taken within a given period, usually one month.

Group rationing, allowing the consumer a little wider choice, is based on a fixed amount in portions of a group of foods, such as jams, syrups and treacle or butter and margarine.

In butter and margarine the maximum amount of butter is defined and varies with the supply but the ration itself covers the total quantity of butter and margarine combined that may be purchased per person.

Great Britain introduced "points" rationing in December, 1941, after 27 months of war. Points rationing in this country is expected in late January, 13 months after we entered the war.

Points rationing in Britain, the food institute says, makes available a fair share of the number of foods that could not readily be rationed separately to all consumers, like canned foods.

Through the points system it is possible to control the demand for each grade or variety of food rationed. Each consumer is allowed 20 points for every four weeks.

These points may not be hoarded and become valueless if not used within the prescribed period. Each food rationed under the points system is declared to be worth a specified number of points and consumers are allowed to choose on which they will spend their points. When a food so rationed becomes scarce, its point value is raised and that of a relatively plentiful product is lowered to divert the demand to the goods in large supply.

Thus a buyer may squander all of his points to satisfy a pampered palate or he may use his points on food with the lowest point value and assure himself of a much larger supply of edibles.

The American points system will work pretty much the same way.

Under the registration rationing system—a less formal kind—consumers are required to register for certain foods. The food ministry then announces the minimum quantity of this food to be distributed to each registered person.

There is flexibility in this since retailers are allowed to distribute surpluses of these foods.

This method, according to the institute, is essential for foods whose supply varies greatly and for which a fixed ration would not be workable.

The food ministry, in setting prices for food processors and manufacturers, has made it a practice to call in a committee from the trade to work these out and to make recommendations.

"Orders fixing maximum prices," says the institute, "are usually put in simple and understandable language. * * * This is in contrast to the complexity and legal phrasing of similar orders in the United States."

Prices are controlled by defining fixed or maximum prices or by an order freezing prices at levels prevailing in some base period for the same or similar goods. In most instances the freezing method is first applied and is followed by an order specifying maximum prices.

Most wholesaler margins are fixed by allowing specified additions to the primary prices. Additions are in the form of per cent markups and also allow the cost of transport to the buyer.

There is no uniformity of controls regarding the inclusion of freight charges. Where transportation charges are likely to keep commodities from going to more distant areas, additions are allowed to the wholesale prices.

Margins for retailers are fixed by allowing specified additions to the wholesale price or by means of fixed maximum selling prices. Since maximum prices are set to cover the cost of the less efficient operators, retailers may sell under these if they can, profitably.

Penalties for violating food orders were stiffened a year ago so that violators were subject to a maximum fine of $400 and a sum equal to three times the value of the goods sold. Imprisonment for 12 to 14 months can be imposed.

Monthly figures are published by the food ministry for violation of food orders. These ran under 1,000 a month until the middle of 1940 but have gradually risen as controls tightened, reaching a peak of 3,120 in October, 1941.

PROGRAM GIVEN AT AAF SCHOOL

Cadets And Friends Guests Of Officers At Pre-Flight Base

Christine Galloway, talented young Monroe vocalist, sang several numbers during the shows at the Navigator Pre-Flight school Christmas dinner party sponsored by Commanding Officer and Mrs. LeRoy C. Perkins and other officers of the school and their ladies.

Wives, children, mothers, and girl friends of cadets were guests of the entire Pre-Flight school staff from early Christmas morning to late afternoon when the last show finished and the young students began their open post, ordered by Major Perkins.

Two programs were simultaneously in progress to accomodate the large number of cadets and their invited guests along with the officers and their wives and friends in each of the two mess halls. Cadet Franklin Coslett was master of ceremonies of both programs, assisted by Cadet Aubrey Cullen. Mr. Coslett's baritone voice held his audience every moment in his rendition of Edgar Guest's poem, "The Christmas Box," and later when he sang "Lovely Lady." He is from Wilkes-Barre, Penn., and was the program director of the radio station WBRE in that city.

Cadet Carl Mintz, former first trumpeter for Vincent Lopez, led a capable orchestra composed entirely of cadets and organized especially for the holiday festivities. In the cadet orchestra were Francis Brinker, piano; Whitfield Brooke, bass; Milton Epstein, drums; Bernard Tessler, clarinet; Ken Stewart, guitar; D. S. Barkley, trombone, formerly with Harry James orchestra; and Allan Watts, trumpet. Musical arrangements were made especially for the occasion by Donald Wohlschlag.

Specialty numbers were numerous including the romantic songs of a well known whispering tenor, Buddy Eye, who has sung solos with many orchestras throughout the country. He was for a long time singer for Frankie Carle in New York. His solos on the program included "Be Careful, It's My Heart," and "White Christmas." One of the high spots of the afternoon was the antics of James Brough of Hartford, Conn., in his comical pantomime of the melodrama, "Way Down East."

Seymour Kovitz added more to the merriment with a classical solo on the clarinet which ended up in a "slapstick" comedy. Another skit was performed by Harvey Epstein with the aid of Aubrey Cullen. Mr. Epstein took the well known role of Private "Sad-Sack." William Edmunds joined Mr. Epstein in another sketch, "The Clothing Merchant of DeLancey Street."

The Enlisted Men's orchestra supplied the music to one of the halls and was under the direction of Andy Marchese, who also played a solo "Star Dust."

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Every person would have 187 buttons if all the buttons made in the United States in a year were distributed equally among the population.

PRE-FLIGHT CADETS PRESENT ENTERTAINMENT

Navigator cadets Franklin Coslet and Seymour Kovitz entertain at the microphone during the cadet Christmas shows at the Pre-flight school here Friday afternoon. Major Leroy C. Perkins, commanding officer, is seated at the left next to the stage. On his right is Lieutenant Fred M. Kimbrough.

Presentation Of Banner, Class Graduation Held

Millsaps Gives Regimental; Major Perkins Addresses Graduates

The advanced Navigation Cadet Detachment at Selman Field received shortly after 9 o'clock yesterday morning the silk regimental standard which henceforth will be carried alongside the national colors in detachment ceremonies, at a full parade and review attended by representatives of the ten Ouachita parish veterans' organizations which donated the regimental to the navigation school. Fred F. Millsaps, president of the Ouachita National bank and a member of both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, made the presentation.

At 10 o'clock, immediately after the presentation ceremony, the first class of air navigators to have received their entire training at Selman Field, both pre-flight and advanced, was graduated. It was by far the largest class thus far sent out from the Monroe field.

Principal figures in the hour-and-a-half period of formalities, which marked several important events in Selman Field's history, were Mr. Millsaps; Colonel Norris B. Harbold, commanding officer of the field, who was the reviewing officer at the presentation and handed out the diplomas at the graduation exercises; Major LeRoy C. Perkins, commanding officer of the Pre-Flight School for Navigators, who made the graduation address, and the new large scale graduating class itself.

The regimental presented yesterday is of ultramarine, or blue, five and one-half by four and one-third feet. It is bordered by a fringe of knotted yellow silk. The device of the Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center is embroidered in the center, and underneath is a yellow scroll bearing the initials of the Southeast Center in blue letters. Arched across the top of the standard is the name of the detachment's school, the Army Air Forces Navigation school.

During the early part of the presentation ceremony, Mr. Millsaps stood at the left end of the reviewing line, which included, besides Colonel Harbold, Captain D. H. O'Connell, commandant of navigation cadets. Beside Mr. Millsaps stood Aviation Cadet Robert H. Miller, of Indianapolis, Ind., carrying the new regimental, cased. Behind this party were aligned some 30 men and women, representing the contributing organizations.

At the proper moment, Mr. Millsaps and Mr. Miller left the reviewing stand to join the cadet wing commander, Aviation Cadet Carl R. Crites, of Bartlesville, Okla. Together, the three advanced across the parade ground while the entire cadet wing stood at attention.

Upon reaching the color guard, Mr. Millsaps took the regimental, now uncased and unfurled, and handed it to the proper member of the guard. After the three members of the presentation party had returned to their places, the national anthem was played.

The organizations which made the gift of the regimental are L. B. Faulk Post No. 13, American Legion, of Monroe, Burnett Downs Post No. 201, American Legion, of West Monroe, and their auxiliaries; Voiture No. 168 of the American Legion's La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Cheveaux, Monroe; Rodney J. Hobbs Post No. 1809, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Monroe, and its auxiliary; Thompson Wood Lee Camp No. 9, United Spanish War Veterans, of Monroe, and its auxiliary, Thompson Wood Lee Auxiliary No. 10, and the Fort Miro Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Heads of these organizations who were present at yesterday's ceremonies were D. Curtis Seamon, commander of L. B. Faulk Post No. 13, who undertook the arrangements for acquisition of the standard; Mrs. Graves Godwin, president of the L. B. Faulk Post auxiliary; Joe Hudson, commander of Burnett Downs Post No. 201, and Mrs. John Young, resident of its auxiliary; Harold Mouk, Chef de Gare of Voiture No. 168; N. O. Freeman, commander of Rodney J. Hobbs Post No. 1809; Frank Farmer, commander of Thompson Wood Lee Camp No. 9, and Mrs. Georgia Kelly, president of Thompson Wood Lee auxiliary No. 10; and Mrs. Charles Mitchell, regent of Fort Miro chapter.

The graduation exercises were held in a group headquarters building on the field.

Major Perkins, in the principal address, dwelt upon the honor and responsiblity the new second lieutenants were about to assume. Drawing from his experience as a cadet and flying officer in the last war, he enjoined them to pattern their conduct and activities on the requirements of officers, gentlemen and navigators.

"You will, as an army officer, no longer belong to yourself," the speaker declared, "but will be the property of the people, the citizens of these United States."

With respect to the duties of his listeners as air navigators, Major Perkins advised them that they would find they "are now but beginning to learn," and that they would be in similar case "just so long as you are connected with the army of the United States."

"You will find that study and practice will occupy a great portion of your time. The life of a navy ship in action may be but minutes—the practice for the action may have been years—the results of that action may decide a battle—that battle may decide a war."

The graduates were urged never to be "satisfied with good enough," but to "lead with their chins" when necessary.

Colonel Harbold, congratulating the class, pointed out that its members had completed "another phase" of their training, and continued:

"In fact, in the service you will find that your training is never finished. If you cannot learn just a little bit more, you're usually finished."

The next phase, observed the colonel, is one of the hardest.

"The change from cadet to officer, the change from school to the real thing, is quite a step," he said.

"You have been on the receiving end. As officers you're on the giving end. It's a responsibility you cannot shirk. You will join crews where men will be looking to you for the answer. If you assume you know it all, they will soon find out. If you find you do not know the answer, you must profit by not knowing it, so that, a second time, you will have learned it."

PRIVATE IN ARMY WILL HIT JACKPOT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Next pay day, Private Walter Hancock of the army medical corps hits the jackpot.

The government, said the war department today, will pay off a total of $1,550, the $50 being Private Hancock's regular pay, and the $1,500 an award for his winning design for the new air medal.

Hancock, 41, a native of St. Louis with a sculpture studio in Gloucester, Mass., entered the open competition for a design when President Roosevelt authorized the air medal for meritorious achievement in aerial flight not warranting the award of a Distinguished Flying Cross.

Then he was drafted and assigned to the 14th general hospital detachment, Camp Livingston, La. Following a day on kitchen police, he was engaged in close order drill when he was ordered to report to headquarters. There he was informed his design had been selected, and he was to go to Washington to put the finishing touches on it.

This was not his first successful medal design, however. He designed the marine corps expeditionary medal and the air mail flyers medal of honor. A graduate of the Pennsylvania academy, he won the coveted Prix de Rome in 1925, and has done a number of portrait busts and sculptures for public buildings, including the Kansas City, Mo., city hall and war memorial, the St. Louis war memorial, and the Pennsylvania avenue pediment of the postoffice building in Washington.

DEATHS

HOFFPAUIR INFANT

Funeral services for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dilly Hoffpauir, who died at the family residence Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, were held yesterday afternoon at 11 o'clock at Old Union church with interment following in Old Union cemetery near Rayville.

The child is survived by her parents.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Dixie Funeral home.

HARRY BAILEY, SR.

Last rites for Harry C. Bailey, Sr., 67, who died in a local sanitarium Friday night at 9:20 o'clock, will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Dixie Funeral chapel with Rev. Ernest Duncan Holloway, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Monroe, officiating. Interment will follow in Riverview Burial park.

Active pallbearers will be Tom Easterling, Lowery Jefferson, Briscoe Trousdale, Guy P. Stubbs, J. Arthur Smith and R. W. Germany.

Honorary pallbearers will be Ben Stern, Sidney Stroud, George Austin, Malcolm Biedenharn, R. R. Rhymes, Leo Baer and Gordon Roark.

Mr. Bailey is survived by one son, Harry Bailey, Jr., stationed with the United States army in California; two sisters, Dr. Kathrine Woodward and Dr. Julia Matsler, both of Monroe; and a niece, Mrs. Frankie George of Monroe.

STAUNCH FRENCH RESISTANCE TOLD

Five Coast Guardsmen In Orleans Tell Of Dodging Bullets

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Stories of brief but staunch French colonial resistance during the November 8 American invasion of French west Africa during which some men dodged whizzing bullets and others prayed were told today by five coast guardsmen.

The five, one a 15-day leave, were in the group charged with landing troops near Cape Fedala Fortress, north of Casablanca. All have been assigned to the Eighth naval district here. As coxswains three of the men were in charge of landing boats which carried soldiers and supplies from transports to the beach.

Paul S. Gruszecka, 26, of Kewanee, Ill., one of the coxswains, said he landed his first load of men without seeing any enemy action. However, four or five minutes after the troops had gone ashore, bullets began flying "over and on both sides of my boat." "Then I said my prayers," said the Illinois youth. "It was a strange feeling—not knowing whether I'd be alive the next minute or not."

Shortly before dawn on that historic November morning, the American transport, with a crew composed entirely of coast guardsmen, arrived off the African coast. Immediately, the landing boats were loaded and the first wave began the trip to shore. Coxswain Walter Finney, 21, of Everett, Wash., whose boat also was among the first to land, reported they were "all the way up to the beach before the French started firing at us."

The other soxswain, Vernon Anderson, 26, Seattle, Wash said he and other boats near him had to zig zag continuously to keep from being blasted by bombs from Italian bombers.

Cape Fedala was the given objective of the troops aboard their transport, the men said and then added that "those army boys sure did have it on the ball, for four hours after we had landed them, the objective was in our hands and practically all resistance had ceased.

Before the French had been beaten the beaches were raked with fire from machine guns and bombs and shellfire from the fortress itself Gruszeczka, after one landing when his boat was filled with ammunition for the troops, said he was pushed into a foxhole by a friendly Arab, who happened to be on the beach. "That fellow probably saved my life," the coxswain said.

A fourth member of the group—gunner's mate third class, Justin Engle, 21, of Taloga, Okla.—described how it felt to be the target for planes "that fly so low you can't see them." Engle, in charge of a machine gun on a patrol boat, said the French fighter planes (reportedly flown by Germans) strafed the beaches all that morning, but that "our boys knocked down quite a few of those babies."

In the landings, which lasted for three or more days, not a man was lost in their boats. Anderson was a bit glum when he told of losing his boat, which, after being beached, was bombed to bits by dive bombers. "I had to leave my boat on the beach one night," he declared, "and when I went back for it in the morning, it was in a million pieces."

The boys manning the landing boats said they worked in 12-hour shifts, taking five hours off for every 12 hours on. This went on night and day and when it was over and the French had capitulated, "we fell in our bunks, exhausted," they said.

Gunner's Mate Engle, in an amusing sidelight, told how an American battleship "went into Casablanca harbor and gave the French such a pasting that they say this one ship was responsible for the French surrender."

Later, when the victorious American forces went ashore at Casablanca and the officers and men from aboard this huge battlewagon let it be known whence they came, the awed Frenchmen saluted and gasped "ah, your ship, it is magnifigue."

Fifth member of the group was Officer's Steward Sixto Garcia, a Filipino, who kept the transport's officers well fed for the grueling fight.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hixon, 807 North Seventh street, announce the birth of a daughter December 24 at the Wright-Bendel clinic.

Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Hess, Vicksburg, announce the arrival of a son, Frederick Wilson, December 20. Mrs. Hess is the former Miss Theda Wilson of Ferriday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hale, Jr., Hale, announce the birth of a daughter December 24 at the Wright-Bendel clinic.

WOMAN IS NEAR ELECTRIC CHA

Four Others In South Caro Scheduled To Die At Same Time

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 26.—Only a brick wall stood today tween Mrs. Sue Logue and the tric chair in which she is sched to die in 13 days.

The 43-year-old Edgefield co former school teacher, convicte murder, has been placed in row's cell No. 1 adjoining the chamber at the state penitentiar

Should her life be taken she be the first woman to die for a in South Carolina since the tur the century when the state took administration of capital punish from the counties.

Only supreme court action or ecutive clemency can stay the of the executioner.

Four other persons scheduled to January 8 with Mrs. Logue occu cells in the death house today. of them were convicted with he

George Logue, 55-year-old E field county farmer and her brot in-law, and Clarence Bagwell, Spartanburg and Brevard, N. C., terer, who were convicted with Logue in the death in Septen 1941, of Davis W. Timmerman, in death cells.

Electrocution of the Logues Bagwell would climax a serie killings in Edgefield county that gan in September, 1940, with death of Wallace Logue, Sue Lo husband, in an argument over a

Timmerman was acquitte Logue's death, then was fatally a year later at his country sto killing for which the trio now in death house was convicted last uary.

Three other killings—the vi deaths of Edgefield county Sh Ward Day Allen, W. L. "Doc" C a deputy and Fred Dorn, a sh cropper, occurred last December gun battle at the Logue farm w the officers had gone to serve rants.

Joe Frank Logue, a nephew of elder Logues, is awaiting trial connection with Timmerman's d He gave state's evidence at the of his uncle and aunt-by-marria

HULL DEPLORES ASSASSINATI

Calls For Unified Support 'Critical Stage' In Africa

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)— retary of State Hull, deploring assassination of Admiral Jean lan, called today for unified sup of Lieutenant General Dwight D. enhower and his associates at "crucial and critical stage" of the tle for Africa.

"The fullest measure of unified port is needed by General Ei hower and his associates," Hull at a press conference in calling lan's assassination "an odious cowardly act."

As to whether the secretary was appealing to the various Fre factions to get together, or to pu opinion in this country and o United Nations to uphold the ens military arrangements to be made Eisenhower, no amplification available.

Hull went further than Presi Roosevelt's bare denunciation of murder and paid tribute to Darl contributions in Africa as being incalculable aid to the Allied ar in the battle which is still raging.

At the same time Hull said "it may be repeated that the he played in North Africa rel primarily to the military situati The president previously had emp sized, amid criticism of the deali with Darlan arising from his for collaborationist position in Vichy, the arrangements with the adm were not political but military.

Hull was asked whether Gen Charles De Gaulle, Fighting Fre leader, might come here from Lon for consultations, but replied this question would have to be ta up later. Mr. Roosevelt some ti ago was asked at a press conf ence whether he had invited Gaulle; he commented then that had not invited the Fighting Fre leader but that he had been ask by quarters he did not ident whether he would receive De Ga and had agreed to do so if he ca

With the expectation general in h diplomatic circles here that Gene Henri Honore Giraud, commander French forces under Darlan, wo be named by the imperial council high commissioner, reports of a v from De Gaulle assumed new s nificance.

The Fighting French, who had b terly opposed Darlan, were repor ready to cooperate with Giraud e before the death of the admrial. C high diplomat here, who cannot quoted by name, saw Giraud as one figure around whom all secti of the French could rally.

Hull issued the following sta ment:

"The all-important consideration that we be not diverted for a mom from the supreme objective of United Nations in the present bat against the Axis forces for control the African continent and the Me iterranean. This battle still is at crucial and critical stage. The full measure of unified support is need by General Eisenhower and his as ciates.

"Of General Darlan, it may be peated that the part he played North Africa related primarily to military situation and was of inc culable aid to the Allied armies the battle which is still raging. assassination was an odious and co ardly act."

The secretary declined to go beyo these remarks when asked if he w hopeful that the assassination wo not seriously affect French Afric support of the Allied cause. Hull plied that his remarks covered all could say at the moment.

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[V]ICE DISTRICTS ARE ELIMINATED

[Al]most Completely Wiped From American Scene In Year's Time

[W]ASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The [r]ed light" district has been almost [com]pletely eliminated from the Ameri[ca]n scene in little more than a year's [ca]mpaigning on a nation-wide basis [ag]ainst venereal disease, the national [ad]visory police committee on social [pr]otection reported today.

"The community which still tolerates [th]e house of prostitution is the excep[tio]n," the committee said in reporting [th]at local police officials and sheriffs [at] government instigation had closed [r]ed light" districts in approximately [..]0 communities.

The committee, headed by Charles [P.] Taft of Cincinnati, announced that [la]w enforcement officials throughout [th]e nation were now opening a "sec[on]d front against the next important [so]urce of venereal disease," street[wa]lkers, "call-girls," and "the non[co]mmercial girl who is promiscuous [wi]th men in uniform."

The report, made public by Paul [V.] McNutt, director of defense health [an]d welfare services, said that closing [of] "red light" districts had been com[pa]ratively easy, but "to reach the [str]eet-walker and semi-professional [pr]ostitute requires research, inquiry [an]d cooperation."

Describing such women who are [in]fected as "more dangerous to the [co]mmunity than a mad dog," the committee recommended that law enforcement authorities:

Cooperate closely with venereal disease control officers of the military services and obtain from them reports to trace and identify sources of infection.

Refrain from seeking to ascertain from medical records the identity of persons under treatment for venereal disease unless asked to do so by health officers lest these persons be discouraged from taking treatment.

Examine for venereal disease persons picked up on morals charges.

Consult with hotel managers, taxicab owners, tourist camp operators and tavern owners to enlist their aid in the anti-prostitution drive.

Place nuisance charges against places which tolerate continued presence of prostitutes and "pick-up girls," and seek to have them closed by the courts.

Do an effective job of patrolling "at the right time and in the right sections."

The committee said that latest reports from the army and navy indicated "a substantial proportional reduction in venereal infections" and that the campaign had proved false the fears in some communities that red light districts were "necessary and served as a crime deterrent, particularly sex crimes."

It further observed that "a high percentage of infections to the armed forces have been traced to girls in their early 'teens. Motivated by a misguided sense of patriotism, they have been found, in some sections, giving themselves freely to men in uniform."

"Within a short time," the committee added, "they will become infected and transmit venereal disease to others. These girls usually frequent dance halls, amusement parks and cheap beer joints. The owners must be warned to keep these girls off their premises, particularly if unescorted, as most of them are."

BRAIN AILMENT CAUSES PALSY

No Cure Known For Disease But Surgery Offers Some Relief

By Howard W. Blakeslee
(Associated Press Science Editor)

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Two thousand years after the time when Christ, in one of the Bible's most dramatic incidents, said to the man with palsy, "Arise, take up thy bed," —science has had its most comprehensive look inside the human brain to see what causes this disease.

The faults are in the gray matter. The physical changes which produce them and a clue to nutrition as one of the possible causes all become plain. Surgery appears to be a remedy in some cases.

The studies were made by a group of scientists. Dr. Paul C. Bucy, university of Illinois college of medicine, studied the mechanisms involved in distorted movements and tremors. Dr. W. S. McCulloch, of the same institution, employed electrical devices to study brain waves. Dr. James W. Papez, Cornell, investigated the highways along which the electrical impulses move. Dr. T. J. Putnam, of the neurological institute, New York City, cut tracts through the brain for relief of the paralytic conditions.

Palsy in Christ's time, and ever since, has been one of the common plagues of man. It causes shaking, particularly of the hands, which often becomes violent.

Shaking palsy is the popular name, paralysis agitans the medical one. The Romans discovered the best palliative, Belladonna, used as a sedative. Belladonna still is the most widely used medicine. Medical science still is unable to cure palsy, although much can be done to relieve it.

Cornell university's collection of famous brains furnished 12 from victims of palsy. Dr. Papez studied them. In 11, the fault which caused palsy was in two organs at the base.

These organs are each the size of a lemon. They are known as basal ganglia. They lie midway between the temples, at the base of the forebrain. Dr. Papez says they are the most complicated part of the human nervous system.

He likens them to the keys of a player piano. They transmit the nervous impulses which control the body's basic functions, such as swallowing, grasping and walking. The brain above is like a music roll operating these keys. The keys are represented by several hundred bundles of fibers in each lemon-like body. Each bundle contains many fibers, or nerve strands.

In the 11 palsy brains, Dr. Papez found some of the fibers in each bundle destroyed. This loss produced a definite effect like putting brakes on bodily movements.

The location of the points of fiber destruction was suggestive. The damage occurred in spots around blood vessels. This degeneration is as yet unexplained, Dr. Papez said, but suggests a possible nutritional cause. It also suggests changes in small blood vessels, and germ or virus diseases.

The twelfth brain showed a different possible source of palsy. There was some degenerated tissue at the base of the brain. This tissue interfered with the nerve channels. Diseases which affect the base of the brain, such as encephalitis, would account for this type.

One of the possibilities for treatment is brain surgery to balance the nerve messages. Already such surgery has been employed almost miraculously, for shaking palsy.

Similar surgery has been done in a few cases, with promise of success, in spastic paralysis. That affliction, too, is due to blocked nerve pathways or diseased cells in the brain. Surgeons have removed a part of a human brain, and demonstrated, by the striking improvement afterward in the afflicted person, that the spastic brain is able to readjust itself in some degree, so that other parts take over basis functions.

SWARTZ YOUTH TO JOIN IN LAUNCHING

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Three Louisiana school children, winners in the recent newspaper-school scrap metal drive, will participate in the launching ceremonies for the S. S. Leonidas Polk, liberty ship of the Delta Shipbuilding company, Inc., here shortly.

They are Billy Clyde Michal, 6, of the Zimmerman rural school near Alexandria; James Cooper, 16, of Swartz, Ouachita parish school and Miss Wilbur Brackin, 16, of Sibley, Webster parish school.

The children will be chaperoned to New Orleans to christen the ship by Mrs. Erwin G. Morrow, principal and only teacher in the Zimmerman school, winner of first honors in the contest.

Bishop Leonidas Polk, for whom the ship will be named, was a noted Confederate army general and Louisiana bishop.

The names were announced by Basil B. Cobb, state salvage coordinator of the war production board.

The brick wall surrounding his home, Cartwell, in Kent, England, was built by Winston Churchill himself.

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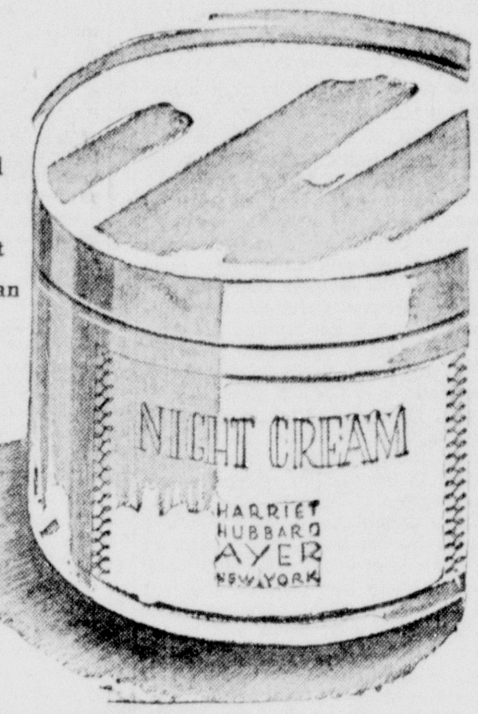

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Italians Want Peace

So long as we do not exaggerate the importance of the situation, it is encouraging to note that the Italian people would be elated if they could pull out of this war today or, at latest, tomorrow.

We are not thinking wishfully when we envision the approaching collapse of Italy as an active Axis partner. The form that the breakdown will take can hardly be prophesied; nor is the layman in position to guess intelligently whether Mussolini's duchy will capitulate before or after the Anglo-American blitz strikes across the Mediterranean.

But whatever the exact time, circumstances and form of the break, it is opportune for the United Nations peoples to remind themselves of certain pertinent facts about Italy's participation, and to condition themselves mentally for the diplomatic situation that will result.

The Italians as a people never have been in World War II. From the beginning they have been anti-German. They have never as a race feared aggression from the democracies. They have known for a long time that from a Nazi victory they have nothing to gain and everything to lose.

They were taken into the war by the dictator whom many had embraced for internal and nationalistic reasons that had nothing to do with Hitler's global strategy.

Finding themselves committed to a war they did not want, allied with a partner they hated and feared, fighting against races they admired and liked, they have put on one of the most impotent military exhibitions in the world's history.

On the word of highly competent American observers, Italy would have cracked long since and tossed Signor Mussolini off his tinsel soapbox if the Nazis had not been there.

One reason why no layman can estimate the when, where or how of the coming debacle is that a revolt involves armed conflict between the Italians and what in effect amounts to a German army of occupation.

We must make up our minds now that the Italian people are a different breed than the Germans or the Japanese, and are entitled, when they find opportunity to cast off their shackles, to a different reception from us.

Also, without denying that Italy's military collapse will be a real victory for us, we must not exaggerate its importance. On the whole, Italy has been no great aid to Hitler. He will not miss Italian fighting men so much as Nazis he must send there to defend the Mediterranean shores.

It is reasonable to believe that when we are ready we can conquer Italy with much help from her people. It will still leave us a long way from Berlin.

DISTORTED PICTURE

If an editorial in one of the controlled Fascist newspapers is a typical example of Mussolini's propaganda, it is easy to understand why the Italian people are even more confused than usual.

Quoted in a Rome broadcast, the editorial declared that in case of an Allied victory, Italy's position will be absolute slavery. "The Allies would reserve only four professions for Italians: Singers, waiters, refugees and makers of souvenirs," the editorial said. What! No organ grinders?

Remote as this is from the truth, it is nearer to it than the account given of what will happen if the Axis wins: Political organization of Italy of the Mediterranean space, a permanent guarantee of security, and economic prosperity.

If even a fraction of this hope were realized, it would come only as a concession from Hitler, which would control Italy as a vassal state and exploit her for the political and economic advantage of the German people. Only by Allied victory can the Italian people win that minor part in civilization to which they, as a nation, are entitled by reason of temperament and ability.

NO RIGHT TO STRIKE

Two presidents, as far apart politically and philosophically as Calvin Coolidge and Franklin Roosevelt, have denied the right of government employes to strike. Mayor La Guardia of New York, co-author of the federal ban on injunctions against strikes, challenges the right of the war labor board to assume jurisdiction over the wages, hours and working conditions of 3,772,000 state, county and city employes.

It would seem difficult, then, to believe that opposition to the WLB's intervention in such matters stems from reactionary sources.

The Board is to be commended on its recognition of the realities, and its decision that it does not possess jurisdiction over the labor relations of municipalities.

Herbert Hoover recommends a cooling off period before the final peace. Would this leave the final peace just around the corner.

JIMMIE FIDLER In Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 26.—Rod Cameron and Brooke (Paramount starlet) Evans will swap "I do's" in April. . . . Movie mogul Alexander Korda, recently knighted, is being offered an important British government post. . . . Ha! "Roz" Russell's final paycheck for "Flight For Freedom," lost for weeks, turned up in the studio fan mail department.

Franchot Tone's missus, Jean Wallace, off the screen for more than a year because of illness, has been inked for a Paramount comeback. . . . Russian film bookers, here for the first time in years, are passing up "pictures with a message" to buy rights on musicals and comedies. . . . Why not make '43 the year for a war bond buying spree?

John Payne and June Havoc have found romance. . . . Meanwhile Hollywood dopesters will give you two-to-one that Anne Shirley, Payne's ex, will wed Eddie Albert the minute her divorce is final. . . . Betty Davis heads east for a two-months loll on that New Hampshire farm on completion of her current movie stint.

Marine Jackie Briggs, here on 14-day furlough, is taking up with Bonita Granville where Jackie Cooper and Tim Holt left off. . . . Credit Bud Abbott with the laugh-line of the week when, watching Lou Costello get out of his new Austin, he cracked: "Look at that huge chick hatching out of that tiny shell!"

Republic is dickering with Joe E. Brown to topline a picture based on the life of Rube Waddell, old-time baseball great. . . . Ona Munson has organized 20 Hollywood girls who, as "Victory Belles," will tour isolated army posts overlooked by the victory committee.

I'm Sorry Department: I'm sorry that George Brent and Ann Sheridan, who once made such publicity capital of their "perfect love," have now exhibited bad taste in flaunting new attachments to others before getting a divorce. Such breaches of convention make Hollywood a target for indignation and ridicule. . . . I'm sorry that Americans who are beefing about wartime shortages can't have heart-to-heart chats with Merle Oberon, and other entertainers who have made tours of England, and awake to the fact that we're still living in a land of plenty. . . . I'm sorry if, in 1942, while trying to give you readers the gist of the Hollywood news, I have trod too heavily on some ultra-sensitive toes. My interest, like that of any other reporter, is in the news itself, not in the personalities behind it.

Laugh Of The Week: Milton Berle's story about the precocious eight-year-old miss whose fond mama believed in using the gentle psychological approach when dishing out reprimands. After a year of being exceptionally tidy about caring for her clothes, the moppet suddenly reverted to the habit common to her age, and started leaving her duds wherever they dropped. Entering the nursery one night, mama surveyed the littered room then voiced a mild protest. "What lovely little girl scatters her clothes around so carelessly," she beamed. The youngster glared defiantly for a moment, then replied: "Gypsy Rose Lee!"

Preview Nights: Pic of the week: UA's "In Which We Serve." Noel Coward lends romance to a warship in one of the great pictures of all time. . . . Recommended: Columbia's "Commandos Strike at Dawn" (Paul Muni-Anna Lee-Sir Cedric Hardwicke). A cinematic surprise that will make your pulse beat faster. Universal's "Arabian Nights" (John Hall-Maria Montez-Sabu) flesh, fun and fantasy all wrapped up in a fancy entertainment package. . . . UA's "The Powers Girl" (George Murphy-Anne Shirley-Carole Landis). A natural for male oglers. . . . Good: Universal's "The Old Chishold Trail" (Johnny Mack Brown-Tex Ritter). If you're a western fan, it's a trail you'll enjoy riding. . . . So-So: MGM's "Tennessee Johnson" (Van Heflin-Lionel Barrymore-Ruth Hussey). Added proof that brilliant acting can't save a bad story. . . . 20th Century-Fox's "Quiet Please, Murder" (George Sanders-Gail Patrick). So quiet you'll have trouble keeping awake.

Confidential Communiques to: Jackie Cooper and Bonita Granville: For two people who were once in love, your current chilly greetings are almost as juvenile as your first dates. . . . Charlie Chaplin: Although this column was the first to call attention to your communistic vaporings, I can't see eye to eye with Westbrook Pegler when he suggests that you be sent back to your native England. After all, the British are our friends and allies. . . . All motion picture workers: If in the past you've complained about being taxed to support the Motion Picture Relief fund, you can salve your hurt feelings by paying one visit to the Motion Picture Country Home and observing, first hand, the happiness of the many unfortunates your money has helped to have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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OUR CHILDREN

By Angelo Patri

Study habits in school children are of the greatest importance in their success, the happy life in school. Many children do less than they are able to do, win less success and that is poorer quality, than they might do, because they do not study well.

To begin with, study is best in a quiet place, no interruptions from people wanting errands done, or information given, no radio and no telephone. The students today cling to their telephone conversations and their radio programs during their study time. No thorough work is done that way. What is done is but surface accomplishment that does not hold because it was not thoughtfully associated with ideas gathered before and was not tied up to past lessons. Nor was it pointed toward work to come. That kind of study, the real kind, is not done between calls and programs.

High school students need to keep reference books handy and use them to amplify and enrich the texts they are using. The instructors always furnish a list of such books but the student who uses them properly is that rare one who heads the class. The others content themselves with the barest essentials of the text, and sometimes not even that. Such a study habit unfits the student for college work. In college, the student must go alone and if he has not built up correct habits of study, does not know how to read, he is lost at the start.

Studying only enough to get by recitation next day, or saying, "Oh, I can afford a D tomorrow. I have enough B pluses and B's to get by, I'm not going to look at a book tonight. I'm going to hear the thriller," is one of the causes of grief many students suffer at test time.

The night before examinations they sit all night frantically searching for notes they have lost, texts that take months to read, old examination papers passed along by friends are used for reviews. Morning finds them with headaches and an all gone feeling in the pits of their stomachs and with no background for the examination. They have not studied properly and so cannot be prepared properly.

The only way to be prepared for examinations is the old slow way of growth, little and often. Each day's work is carefully done, the subject matter mastered, the main points marked in the text, or written in the note books. I believe high school students should be trained to use a text so that it becomes a record of study, a source book, and a note book as well. Make the notes on the text and index them where necessary. That saves making note books and makes the text valuable. And it teaches right study habits. The student should own the text when he is through with it.

A set time for study must be observed daily. No break in the routine is to be permitted until the unit of work is complete, reviewed and tested. This process sets right habits of study, promotes healthy growth and mental discipline. It does away with cramming and the night-before panic.

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Sunday School Lesson

Sunday School Lesson for January 3
Text: John 1:1-14

By William E. Gilroy, D. D.
Editor of Advance

For the first quarter of this year and for part of the second the lessons are selected from the Gospel of John. We speak of this as "the Fourth Gospel," and it is distinguished from the first three, which are called "the Synoptic Gospels," because they deal in detail with the earthly life of Jesus, whereas this Gospel is more philosophical.

We are impressed in the Fourth Gospel with its greatness and richness, but also with its limitations. If it were the only Gospel record, it would be very inadequate as an account of the Master's earthly life. There is no reference to Bethlehem and only a passing reference to Nazareth. If we had only John's Gospel we should never have known the Christmas story, nor should we have had even the slight picture that Luke gives of that normal home and family life in which the boy Jesus "increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." How much more is left out one can discover by comparing this Gospel with the Synoptics, particularly with the aid of a harmony of the Gospels, giving the comparative records.

But the Gospel of John is significant for much that the other Gospels left out. The Synoptic Gospels were written nearer the scenes and events, when much was still treasured in memory and tradition. They were more concerned about recording teachings, events, and experiences associated with the Wonderful Life than about matters of philosophy and doctrine.

John's Gospel, coming late, assumes these earlier records. It was unnecessary for the writer to give a detailed narrative. John's purpose was to discuss the eternal nature and meaning of His life.

In accordance with this purpose the Fourth Gospel begins with an argument or thesis, where the others had begun with historical events. If Jesus were the divine Son of God, His earthly birth was but an incident in the life of an eternal Being. He had always existed, and as God manifest in the flesh, it was also through Him that the world was made. Thus the writer says that Jesus was the eternal Word, which was in the beginning. But the Word became flesh, and the dominant doctrine of the Gospel of John is that of the Incarnation of God in the earthly life of Jesus.

All that follows is in witness, or testimony, to this fact. The whole Gospel is a procession of incidents, events, teachings, and personal witness, all testifying to the glory of the Son of God.

No study of the Gospel of John is adequate that leaves out the question of its authorship. Did John write it? Or was it written by some disciple under John's influence? Scholars are agreed only in the belief that it comes out of a late date. But the evidence of its authenticity is the Gospel itself. Books like the Gospel of John are not invented. They are the product of the divinity to which they bear witness.

GOOD FELLOWS LIST LAST GIFTS

Good Fellows fund reached a total of $1,516.84, which is regarded as an exceptionally good showing and such that made it possible to aid many worthy persons who otherwise would have been neglected on the holiday.

Good Fellows wish to acknowledge the following donations that were received too late to be added to the figures that were last published:

Already acknowldged	$1,494.84
Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson	2.00
Ill. Central Service club	10.00
Morris Blumenthal	5.00
Ernest Blumenthal	5.00
Grand Total	$1,516.84

THE 'MASTER MINDS'

IN WASHINGTON

By Peter Edson
Monroe Morning World Washington Correspondent

"Personalities in Washington are here to be chewed up like paper clips and rubber bands."

Price Administrator Leon Henderson made that wisecrack way back last June. It was funny then. It isn't so funny now. It is deadly serious, bitterly true, and today it is coming close to applying to Leon Henderson himself.

Almost six months ago to the day, Henderson could laugh about being chewed up. "I'm a little tougher than that," he said then. "I don't chew up so easily." But the Washington mangler is after Leon Henderson now, clawing at him to reduce him to the status of worn-out paper clip or rubber band. For all the resentment against rationing, shortages, price fixing and the defeat of the politicians at the polls is being centered not on the war or the primary causes of these things, but on the one, 200-pound mass of government official who had the guts to take the responsibility for putting into effect these war curbs on civilian life as it was lived in these United States before Pearl Harbor. Government administrators are expendable, too.

"You're here to do a job," said Henderson philosophically six months ago. "When your influence is through, you get out."

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Still Good At Predictions

Henderson recalls that before he became a government official, he used to make a living on economic prophecy. After he took the job of price administrator, he forecast that he would become the most unpopular man in the United States. Six months ago, knowing some of the things still to come, he could jest that while he hadn't reached the zenith of his unpopularity, he could report progress.

That is perhaps the most typical thing about Price Boss Leon Henderson. He is utterly fearless. He took the most thankless job in the United States today. His job was to resist price increases. In order to do it he had to ration automobiles and tires and bicycles and sugar and coffee and gasoline and fuel oil.

It was thought that the American people were so solidly behind this war effort, that the need for rationing these things was so obvious to everyone, that there could be no question about accepting any inconveniences necessary to help in winning the war.

"Just tell me what you want me to do!" was the cry that was supposed to be rising from every good American all over this broad land. "I'll dig ditches, I'll peel potatoes, I'll scrub floors—but hurry up and tell me what you want me to do to help win this war!"

The answer to that demand was the word that civilians at home would have to do without new automobiles and tires and ice boxes and such things, and they'd have to get along on less sugar and coffee and gasoline and fuel oil, and later they'd have to get along on less meat and maybe butter and milk and other things people in this country were used to having plenty of. The army and the navy needed these things to fight the war.

It all sounded very simple and very easy.

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Can We Take It?

When Leon Henderson was wisecracking about personalities in Washington it was the first day of summer. Today is practically the first of winter—a winter that stretches ahead in gloomy prospect. There will be many cold homes, many meatless meals, much inconvenience, a lot of suffering. And the signs begin to point up that the American people can't take it.

We're yellow, even before the first bomb has fallen on us. We're mad clear through because we can't have two cups of coffee and barely enough sugar for the one cup. We're uncomfortable. And we're going to get the big fat, bureaucratic so-and-so who caused all this, and you know just who we mean. Leon Henderson. So say the politicians, the wolves of Washington, who must have someone to chew up because people back home are beginning to complain.

Tying a can to Leon Henderson isn't going to do any good. Putting a super-bureaucrat boss over Leon Henderson won't do any good. Henderson, Henderson's successors, superiors, substitutes or subordinates will all have to be responsible for the same orders to ration the same things Henderson has rationed and more.

But personalities in Washington are made to be chewed up, like rubber bands and paper clips. And when a man's influence is through, he gets out. Henderson has said so, himself.

Q's AND A's

Q—In what way did the marine corps recently give new recognition to its air arm?

A—They changed the words of their hymn to read, "We fight our country's battles in the air, on land and sea." Previously "the air" was not mentioned in the song.

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Q—Does color blindness affect women as well as men?

A—Very seldom. Color blindness, the inability to distinguish colors, especially red and green, occurs almost exclusively in males.

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Q—What is the correct pronunciation of the name of the famous Czech village of Lidice?

A—Lee-dit-seh, with the accent on the first syllable. Lee rhymes with see, the dit rhymes with sit, and the seh rhymes with the "se" of set.

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Q—Will vitamins make you fat?

A—No. They promote growth and health but in no way add to fat.

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Q—When and where was the first golf tournament held?

A—The first golf tournament was held at Prestwick, Scotland, in 1860, 36 holes medal play. Instead of a medal, the winner was given a belt, which was to become forever the property of the man winning it three times in succession. Tom Morris, Jr., gained permanent possession with victories in 1868-'69-'70.

COMMISSION WILSON SECOND LIEUTENANT

Kyle Kenneth Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Wilson, 813 North Fourth street, West Monroe, was graduated this week from the Field Artillery Officer Candidate school at Fort Sill, Okla., and was commissioned a second lieutenant.

Lieutenant Wilson was rated a corporal before being selected to attend officer candidate school. He has been assigned to duty at Camp McCain, Miss.

Before entering the army, Lieutenant Wilson was employed by the Brown Paper Mill company.

ENTER SPECIAL SCHOOLS

Four men from this area have entered specialist training schools in the army. Technical Corporal Ollie R. Bridges, Jr., son of O. R. Bridges, 313 Morris avenue, Monroe, has been enrolled for a special course of instruction at the signal corps school at Camp Murphy, Fla. Private Rufus Voigt, son of Mrs. J. C. Voigt, Oak Grove, and Private Travis L. Causey, Simsboro, have entered the Armored Force Training center at Fort Knox, Ky. Herman D. Gross, son of Mrs. J. E. Gross, Choudrant, is with the A. A. F. Technical Training command at Kearns, Utah.

Radio Program

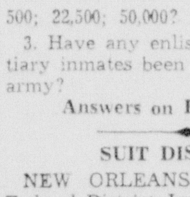
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

Eastern War Time P.M.—Subtract One Hour for CWT., 2 Hrs. for MWT.

(Changes in programs as listed due to corrections by networks made too late to incorporate.)

12:30—Emma Otero in a Concert—nbc
Stars From Blu Concert — blu
Salt Lake Tabernacle's Choir—cbs
Irving Caesar & Safety Songs—mbs
12:45—Letters to My Son Series—mbs
1:00—Robert St. John on People—nbc
Horace Heidt's Review; News—blu
The Church of the Air Sermons—cbs
Reviewing Stand (from records)—mbs
1:15—Labor For Victory Talks—nbc
1:30—Modern Music from KYW—nbc
Invitation to Learning Series—cbs
Lutheran Prog., Dr. Maier—mbs-bas.
2:00—Sammy Kaye and Serenade—nbc
Chaplain Jim, U. S. A., Drama—blu
Those We Love, Drama Series—cbs
Pilgrim Radio Hour Services—mbs
2:30—U. of Chicago Roundtable—nbc
Show of Yesterday and Today—blu
Half Hour News Broadcasting—cbs
3:00—Music Is for the Neighbors—nbc
John Vandercook's Commentary—blu
New York Philharmonic Orch.—cbs
This Is Fort Dix (from records)—mbs
3:15—Upton Close's Commentary—nbc
The Wake Up, America, Forum—blu
3:30—The Official Army Hour—nbc
Hancock Chamber Music Ens.—mbs
4:00—Vespers with Dr. Fosdick—blu
Phillip K. Gordon on War—mbs-east
Lutheran Program repeat—mbs-west
4:15—Camp Wheeler Band—mbs-east
4:30—We Believe Services; News—nbc
Phil Bovero's Orchestra, Songs—blu
Andre Kostelanetz & Orchestra—cbs
Young People's Church Service—mbs
5:00—NBC Symphony, Toscanini—nbc
Moylan Sisters, Harmony—blu-basic
Dancing Music Orchestra—blu-west
Gladys Swarthout's 45 minutes—cbs
Song Spinners Vocal Quartet—mbs
5:15—Ella Fitzgerald, Four Keys—blu
Upton Close Second Comment—mbs
5:30—Musical Steelmakers Prog.—blu
The Shadow, Mystery Detective—mbs
5:45—Wm. L. Shirer in Comment—cbs
6:00—Catholic Service via Radio—nbc
News; Britain to America, Var.—blu
Edward R. Murrow at London—cbs
First Nighter, Dramatic Series—mbs
6:15—Irene Rich 15-min. Drama—cbs
6:30—Great Gildersleeve Comedy—nbc
Metropolitan Opera's Auditions—blu
Sergt. Gene Autry Song, Drama—cbs
Anchors Aweigh, Naval Prog.—mbs
7:00—Jack Benny & Mary Show—nbc
Drew Pearson in War Comment—blu
The Commandos, Drama of War—cbs
Seventh Day Adventist Prog.—mbs
7:15—Edward Tomlinson Talks—blu
7:30—The Bandwagon Orchestra—nbc
Quiz Kids and Joe Kelly M. C.—blu
We the People, a Guest Show—cbs
Stars and Stripes from Britain—mbs
8:00—Charlie McCarthy, Bergen—nbc
Earl Godwin's News Broadcast—blu
Hello Americans, Orson Welles—cbs
The American Forum & Guests—mbs
8:15—To Be Announced (15 m.)—blu
8:30—One Man's Family, Drama—nbc
Inner Sanctum Mystery Drama—blu
Crime Doctor Dramatic Series—cbs
8:45—Gabriel Heatter—via mbs-basic
8:55—Five Minutes News Period—cbs
9:00—Sunday's Merry-Go-Round—nbc
Sunday Column Comment—blu-basic
Conrad Nagel Magazine Drama—cbs
Old Fashioned Revival Service—mbs
9:15—Parker Family Series—blu-basic
9:30—Album of Familiar Music—nbc
Jimmie Fidler About Hollywood—blu
Fred Allen and His Half Hour—cbs
9:45—To Be Announced (15 mins.)—blu
10:00—Phil Spitalny & Girl Orch.—nbc
The Good Will Hour via Radio—blu
Phil Baker, Take It or Leave It—cbs
John B. Hughes in Comment—mbs
10:15—Leo Cherne's Commentary—mbs
10:30—Creighton's, Comedy—nbc-basic
Weekly Reports to the Nation—cbs
This Is Our Enemy, Dramatic—mbs
Sunday Column in repeat—nbc-west
10:45—Parker Family rep't—nbc-west
11:00—Late Variety With News—nbc
News & Dancing 2 Hrs.—blu & cbs
Hawaii Calls, Native Musicians—mbs
11:30—London's Answering You — mbs
12:00—Two Hours With Dancing—mbs

• WAR QUIZ •



1. This flag flies over an island country whose name comes near the last in the alphabet of nations. The flag is nothing more than a big red banner. What country?

2. How many men in an average army infantry division: 10,000, 15,500; 22,500; 50,000?

3. Have any enlistments of penitentiary inmates been made by the U. S. army?

Answers on Page Thirteen

SUIT DISMISSED

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Federal District Judge A. J. Caillouet today dismissed a suit by the Federal Royal company, of Oklahoma, against the Barnsdall Oil company, of Delaware, involving leases of oil lands in La Fourche parish. Plaintiff had asked for an accounting of gas and oil removed and 1-24th of the value of production.

New York Day By Day

By CHARLES B. DRISCOLL
Title Reg. U. S. Patent Office

NEW YORK—The dimout in Manhattan is far more severe than required by army regulations. There one set of rules for communities "fa ing the sea," and another set, mu more liberal as to light permitted, f coastal communities not directly the sea. This is understandable. Mu light on the shore helps enemy su marines to spot our ships.

Manhattan doesn't face the sea. waterfronts are the East river, Hu son river, and New York Bay; all i land from the sea.

But the borough of Richmon which is Staten Island, faces the s along a considerable stretch of coa.

Our city authorities have ruled th Manhattan must take the severe di out of sea-facing Richmond, becau Manhattan traffic flows into Ric mond, and it might prove troubleson for the police to apprehend Manhatta drivers who did not dim down enoug when arriving at Staten Island.

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The Manhattan dimout is now severe that night accidents are pilin up rapidly, despite marked falling o of traffic volume.

There are few private cars in Ma hattan traffic any more; extreme, few at night. I would rather drive car in the Indianapolis Speedw races than attempt to get through fi miles of Manhattan streets at nigh Many conservative customers, as matter of fact, refuse to trust then selves in a taxicab at night in Ma hattan, and I don't blame them.

Cars running without any light a common, and, so far as I have o served, their drivers are not rebuke by the police. Strangers who insi upon driving at night in the Ci have, in many cases, not known th regulations about dimming the hea lights. When cautioned by police, th simply turn out all lights.

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At a recent gathering of writi folk, I met Mary Lasswell, who h been plummeted into national noti by her amusing and unusual boo "Suds in Your Eye." She is a livel cheerful, volatile young woman fro Lubbock, Texas. I believe the tow was named for her grandfather, b I'm not quite sure about that part the story.

Mrs. Lasswell is one of the fe feminine authors I've met who us her married name in her litera work. She's married to a service ma whose name is Lasswell, and she fo lows the custom, prevalent in Tex but rare in literary New York, adopting her husband's name as h own.

When I met her, Mrs. Lasswel normally bubbling spirits were fizzi even more than usual, because s was expecting the husband home furlough.

"Suds in Your Eye" is old-fashion humor. It's the kind of thing peop used to laugh at before gag-factori started to turn out puns by the t for radio-movie consumption. May we'll have to turn to old-fashion humor to find something to laug about, before we get back to norma

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Our picturesque mayor is no deeply involved in a battle with th newspapers, the current phase which grows out of his attempt provide a lifetime dole, out of publ funds, for a fellow named Hine brother of a Hines who is servin time in Sing-Sing for grafting.

This Hines, whom La Guardia battling to protect and provide fo had a fat political job in the marriag license bureau, paying far more tha the work is worth. He duped newl married couples, regardless of the poverty or wealth, out of tips, whic he wheedled from them under pre tense that tipping the marriage licens grafters was customary. It is illeg for employes of the bureau to acce tips.

Caught at his racket, Hines re signed, after getting the mayor's as surance that everything would be a right and a good pension would b provided for him. He was smuggle into a sweet little job outside th city, but on city payroll, so that th letter of the law might be complie with, concerning the pension.

The newspapers discovered the dea and their reporters questioned th mayor. So Mr. La Guardia now re fuses to talk with reporters.

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TIME	TITLE	ORIGIN
6:00	News	Local
6:02	Sunday Morning Serenade	Local
6:30	News	Local
6:32	On to Victory	Local
7:00	Treasury Song Parade	Local
7:03	Concert Gems	Local
7:25	News	Local
7:30	Music for Sunday	Local
8:00	News of the World	CBS
8:15	Religious News Reporter	Local
8:30	Sunday Morning Meditations	Local
9:00	Church of the Air	CBS
9:30	Treasury Song Parade	Local
9:33	Concert in Miniature	Local
10:00	Warren Sweeney, News	CBS
10:05	Men's Bible Class	Local
10:30	Coolidge String Quartet	CBS
11:00	Morning Services	Local
12:00	Church of the Air	CBS
12:30	Invitation to Learning	CBS
1:00	Those We Love	CBS
1:30	World News Today	CBS
2:00	N. Y. Philharmonic Symphony	CBS
3:30	The Pause That Refreshes	CBS
4:00	The Family Hour	CBS
4:45	William L. Shirer	CBS
5:00	Edward Murrow	CBS
5:15	Irene Rich in Dear John	CBS
5:30	Sergeant Gene Autry	CBS
6:00	Commandos	CBS
6:30	We, The People	CBS
7:00	Orson Welles	CBS
7:30	Crime Doctor	CBS
7:55	Eric Servareid and the News	CBS
8:00	Tax Instruction	Local
8:05	Variety	Local
8:15	Treasury Star Parade	Local
8:30	Fred Allen's Star Theater	CBS
9:00	Take It or Leave It	CBS
9:30	Report to the Nation	CBS
10:00	News of the World, E. Sevareid	CBS
10:15	Old Fashioned Revival Hour	Local
11:15	Charlie Spviak's Orchestra	CBS
11:30	Vaughn Monroe's Orchestra	CBS
12:00	News	CBS
12:05	Midnight Frolic	Local
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1:00	News	Local
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BIBLE THOUGHT

Now the Lord of peace himself gives you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all.—II Thessalonians 3:16.

Let the bugles sound the Truce of God to the whole world forever.—Charles Sumner.

[CO]MPETITION BY CHURCHES ENDED

[Ac]ceptance Of Closer Relationships Means Cooperation In Work

By Sigrid Arne

[C]LEVELAND, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Church [me]n and women representing 30,000,000 [chu]rchgoers from the Rio Grande to [the] Arctic circle have formally buried [com]petition as a stock in their trade.

[T]he report of their action, if you saw [it i]n the papers, looked dry as dust. [It s]aid that the eight huge "interde[nom]inational agencies" of the "non-[Ro]man churches" of the United States [and] Canada had adopted a "report of [the] committee on closer relationships."

[It]'s a merger, to put it simply. It's [so]mething that probably would have [bro]ught fright and Sunday indigestion [to] the dear, old stiff necks of the '90s. [Th]e Presbyterians who thought the [Epi]scopalians a bit flighty. The Bap[tist]s who thought the Congregational[ists] were getting their religion the [eas]y way. And so on.

[T]his "merger" won't be in full effect [unt]il 1945 because the huge agencies [wh]o sent representatives to Cleveland [wil]l must approve the move in their [ow]n conventions, and then some 60 [de]nominations must approve. But it's [pre]tty much a foregone conclusion [the]y will.

[T]his move was a merger in only one [sen]se. Perhaps the most important [sen]se. It's a merger of work. It is not [a m]erger that will wipe out all the [sma]ll ceremonial differences and [var]iations in creeds. They go on, just [as] in a university, the schools of law [and] medicine operate separately.

[B]ut the general work of all the non-[Ro]man churches will be unified: The [wo]rk of religious education, home and [for]eign missions, the work of church [wo]men, and so on.

[T]hat "non-Roman" needs explain[in]g. It includes 27 church bodies: [th]e 25 larger Protestant churches and [tw]o orthodox ones, the Syrian and [Uk]rainian. Invitations are now going [thr]ough to the three other orthodox [co]mmunions: The Russian, Greek and [Ru]manian.

[T]here has been talk of this merger [for] years. But it came to little until [the] churches saw they must close [ra]nks swiftly to combat the poison of [fa]scism and dictatorship.

[A]ctually the first suggestion was [ma]de 100 years ago by an almost for[got]ten Lutheran, Samuel Schmucker, [wh]o lived in Gettysburg, Pa. But [qu]ite obviously he was a hundred [yea]rs too soon.

[T]hen, in 1920, the home missions [pe]ople met here in Cleveland to dis[cu]ss simplifying their work. It led [to] a grant of money from John D. [Ro]ckefeller, Jr., for a survey.

[T]hat survey led to a discovery by [the] church people of a fact which the [co]nfused, church "shopping" layman [ha]d known for some time. There were [to]o many churches in some towns. [So]me towns supported five incompe[ten]t ministers and five weak churches, [wh]en they would have fared better [wi]th two well educated parsons and [tw]o financially strong churches.

[S]o this was spread about. Church [pe]ople talked. The decisions were left [to] local communities. But since 1927 [th]ere have been 22 mergers of national [ch]urch bodies. The Congregational and [Ch]ristian churches merged, for in[sta]nce. And the Evangelical and Re[for]med churches. In Canada there is [no]w a united church made up of [fo]rmer Presbyterians, Methodists and [Co]ngregationalists.

[T]here have been 90 such plans dis[cu]ssed. Twenty-two became fact. [Th]ree are now pending. In thousands [of] cities and towns, literally, churches [bu]ried their old names and became ["f]ederated churches" or "community [ch]urches."

[B]ut this was on the home front. [In] the national and international [fro]nt other church workers, with the [be]st will in the world, found them[sel]ves stepping on each others' toes. [Th]e outstanding "steppers" were the [for]eign missions and the council for [re]ligious education.

[I]t didn't result in scrapping. It just [re]sulted in some one saying to some[on]e else: "I hear you're off for Beirut. [W]ould you look up a matter for us, [to]o?"

[O]n the home front, field workers, [ta]king a swing out of New York, [w]ould get into Chattanooga, for [ex]ample. Say they had arrived to [se]t study classes. But they'd hear of [so]me confusion in the women's work [gro]ups. The yeither supplied the ans[we]re because they happened to know [it] or they promised to take the prob[le]m back to headquarters. "They're [ju]st around the corner from us. Glad [to] do it." So for all practical purposes [th]e merger was here before it was [wr]itten into the Constitution.

[T]o go all the way back, briefly, on [th]e subject of church diversification, [he]re's the score:

[U]p to 1059 the world had practically [ju]st one church. Then it broke into [tw]o churches with headquarters at [C]onstantinople and Rome. That con[ti]nued until the last 400 years when [ch]urches broke off from parent bodies [in] great numbers. Today there are 247 [de]nominations in this country alone.

[B]ut since 1927 the trend has about-[fa]ced.

[T]he climax came with the church [m]en and women who have just met in [C]leveland. It came so swiftly, finally, [b]ecause the challenge of fascism is so [ut]terly basic that now, they contend, [th]ere can be no difference between [P]rotestant, Jew or Catholic in the [st]and they take.

[T]hey point out fascist terrors that [ar]e common knowledge now: The [di]ctator's attempt to kill the belief in [a] universal God, to kill the idea of [th]e sacred rights of an individual, and [th]e notion of God as the last resort [in] a question between right and [w]rong.

[T]hose are abstractions, but the [c]hurch men point out to me what a [m]an can do who loses those abstrac[ti]ons: He can, as the Nazi youth has [do]ne, tattle on their gentler parents [al]though it meant death for the par[en]ts; he can, as the Japs have done, [b]ayonet nurses; or, like the Nazis, [ig]nore the sorrows of a Polish family [sc]attered and lost to each other, per[ha]ps forever.

[H]enry Smith Leiper, secretary of [th]e world council of churches, point[ed] out how basic Christianity has be[co]me in this country; so basic we fail [to] recognize it. He used a common [p]hrase, "no decent fellow would do [th]at." He pointed out the man who uses that phrase often thinks he does so because he's a gentleman. But actually his family's notion of a gentleman's code has roots in the Christian religion.

Leiper also pointed out that our courts of justice, or Declaration of Independence, with its "all men are created equal," all trace back to Bethlehem.

Well, who's involved in this merger? How will it work? They're long names: The Council of Church Boards of Education, the Federal Council of Churches, the Foreign Missions Conference, the Home Missions Council, the International Council of Religious Education, the Missionary Education Movement, the United Councils of Church Women, and the United Stewardship Council.

They plan an overall body called "The North American Council of Churches of Christ."

That body is to have just four divisions to do all the work of the many agencies named above: The Divisions of Church and Community, Christian Education, Home Missions and Foreign Mission. They will develop the basic philosophy and programs to be carried out by all the country's non-Roman churches. No matter what denomination. They'll be augmented by a handful of commissions, bureaus and committees but the general program will be co-related by a small board.

It could mean a reduction of staffs. It could also mean larger staffs because church work would grow.

But that's beside the point. The point is, as Leiper said, the world is going through its most bloodthirsty century. The concept of individual rights has disappeared from huge areas of the map. The concept of neutrality has disappeared.

Therefore this church merger, since American and Canadian church men and women are getting set to put the notions of equality, neutrality, and conferences instead of wars, back into the world. Back even into the benighted children of Fascism.

GIVEN PROMOTIONS

CAPT. F. C. PEW

CAPT. L. W. HOYT

CAPT. K. E. HUGHS

THREE OFFICERS GAIN PROMOTIONS

Hughs, Pew And Hoyt Become Captains At Monroe Navigation Base

The promotion of three officers of the Selman Field headquarters staff from first lieutenant to captain was announced yesterday by Col Norris B. Harbold, the Commanding Officer.

The officers promoted are:

Captain Kenneth E. Hughs, of Richland, S. C., the Post Adjutant.

Captain Frederic C. Pew, of Birmingham, Mich., the Post Intelligence Officer.

Captain Lorin W. Hoyt, of Midland, La., the Provost Marshal.

Captain Hughs is a graduate of the Adjutant General's School of the Army War College, Washington, D. C. He began his military career as an ROTC cadet at Presbyterian College of South Carolina, where he rose to the rank of cadet captain. Graduated in 1928 with an A. B. degree, he was commissioned a second lieutenant.

From 1928 until he resumed active duty in November, 1940, the captain put in three years as logging superintendent in Helena, Ark., three more in the general insurance business in Seneca, S. C., and the remaining six with the CCC as a company commander.

Since the beginning of his present tour of active duty, Capt. Hughs has been stationed at Maxwell, Craig and Napier Fields, Ala., Bolling Field, D. C., Barksdale Field, La., and, since last July 1, Selman Field.

Captain Pew was commissioned a first lieutenant last May 12, and is a graduate of the Army Air Forces Officers' Training School at Miami Beach, Fla. He served briefly at Maxwell Field, Ala., before reporting to the Monroe Field.

He was born in Steubenville, O., and was graduated in 1921 from Deerfield Academy, Deerfield, Mass. He attended Williams College. At the time he entered the service he was engaged in the real estate business in Birmingham, a suburb of Detroit.

Captain Hoyt was an ROTC cadet at Pennsylvania State College, which he left in 1925 to transfer to Missouri University. He was graduated from the latter institution in 1927 with a B. S. degree. A devotee of horse and cattle breeding, Capt. Hoyt enlisted in Troop K, 108th Cavalry, in Jennings, La., in 1929, and in 1936 he was commissioned in the Cavalry. In November, 1940, upon entering active duty, he was transferred to the Infantry, in which branch he served at Camp Blanding, Fla., and successfully completed the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga. He transferred to the Air Forces in December, 1941, and since has served at Maxwell Field and Selman Field. Earlier this year he was graduated from the Army Cooks and Bakers School at Fort Benning.

Capt. Hoyt's civilian occupation was the management of a rice and fancy live stock plantation he owns at Midland. In college he figured in intercollegiate boxing, and both in Crowley High school and in college he played football and baseball.

2 DEPUTY SHERIFFS DISARMED BY NEGRO

BATON ROUGE, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Two deputy sheriffs who had arrested two negro women in a South Baton Rouge brawl were disarmed and fired upon by a negro man yesterday afternoon, Sheriff Newman H. DeBretton said today. One of the deputies was slightly injured.

After the shooting deputies tried to disperse crowds of negroes and when many refused to go home a tear bomb was shot into their midst and 69 of their number were placed in the parish jail. Saloons in South Baton Rouge were ordered closed. Later when a stabbing took place in a negro saloon north of the city, all negro saloons in the parish were ordered closed.

Deputy B. E. Norwood was shot in his little finger and a bullet went through the shoulder of the coat of Deputy D. Frank Goodwin, the sheriff said.

The deputies had placed two negro women in their automobile after answering a call there was a free for all near a South Baton Rouge saloon. A negro slipped up behind one officer and disarmed him and then held the pistol on the other officer forcing him to disarm himself. As the officers left the scene he fired two shots at them.

Nathaniel Carter, Jr., 21-year-old negro, was later arrested and will be charged with the shooting, the sheriff said.

NEGRO IS ARRESTED IN SHOOTING CASE

Sheriff Milton Coverdale yesterday announced the arrest of Robert Harris, Jr., negro, on a charge of shooting Jake Johnson, Sterlington negro, during an altercation on Breard street Friday afternoon.

Johnson, reported in a critical condition at St. Francis sanitarium, first reported he didn't know who shot him, but Harris told authorities he shot in self defense when Johnson approached him with a knife. The fracus occurred at 1801 Breard street, it was reported.

Johnson was shot in the face with one shot from a .25 caliber automatic pistol. The slug hit the negro near the left side of his mouth, broke his jaw bone and stopped in an artery where the blood stream was said to have taken the bullet down into his body. The bullet was being pumped to the negro's heart, it was said, and an operation was necessary to remove the slug from the artery.

BICYCLE RECOVERED

Police yesterday announced the recovery of a bicycle reported stolen December 14 from North Fourth and DeSiard street. The bicycle, property of Victor Ditto, 1819 DeSiard street, was found by J. W. Simmons, Otis Williams and Jack Keener, Sergeant H. L. Tolbert, police secretary said.

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DEMICHELE GIVEN PROMOTION HERE

Post Surgeon At AAF Navigation School Is Lieutenant Colonel

Lieutenant Colonel Roland V. DeMichele, post surgeon, at the A. A. F. Navigation school here, has been promoted from the rank of major, it was announced officially yesterday by Colonel Norris B. Harbold, the commanding officer.

Colonel DeMichele's promotion is the second distinction he has achieved in the past two months. Late in October the military rating of flight surgeon was conferred on him, carrying with it the authorization to wear the gold, caduceus-centered wings of that rating.

A native of Hasbrouck Heights, N. J., the colonel received his education in Philadelphia, Newark, N. J., and New York City. In 1927 he was graduated from New York university, and in 1930 he received his M. D. degree after studies at the same university and Bellevue Medical college. He engaged in general practice in Newark, with a two-year interlude during the middle 1930s devoted to work with the CCC.

Colonel DeMichele also is a graduate of the three month course of the school of aviation medicine at Randolph Field, Tex., a requirement for all flight surgeons. This rating calls in addition for one year's service as an aviation medical examiner, during which at least 50 hours must be spent in the air. Familiarity with specified medical literature on the physiological effects of flight is also a requirement.

As flight surgeon, Colonel DeMichele directs the operation of the low pressure chamber on the post, an apparatus by which flight conditions of temperature, pressure and oxygen content of air can be simulated and controlled.

The post surgeon was commissioned a first lieutenant in the medical corps reserve on June 10, 1930. Promotion to captaincy followed on October 7, 1935, and to majority last January 29.

Since entering active duty March 6, 1941, Colonel DeMichele has served at Camp Forrest, Tenn., Randolph Field, Ocala, Fla., and Maxwell Field, Alabama.

TWO ESCAPE L. T. I.

Authorities last night were searching for two inmates of Louisiana Training institute who escaped from the institution here yesterday. They were Roy Leggett, 15, of Mansfield, and Wallace McDonald, 14, of Shreveport.

WAS GRANDMA RIGHT ABOUT THESE

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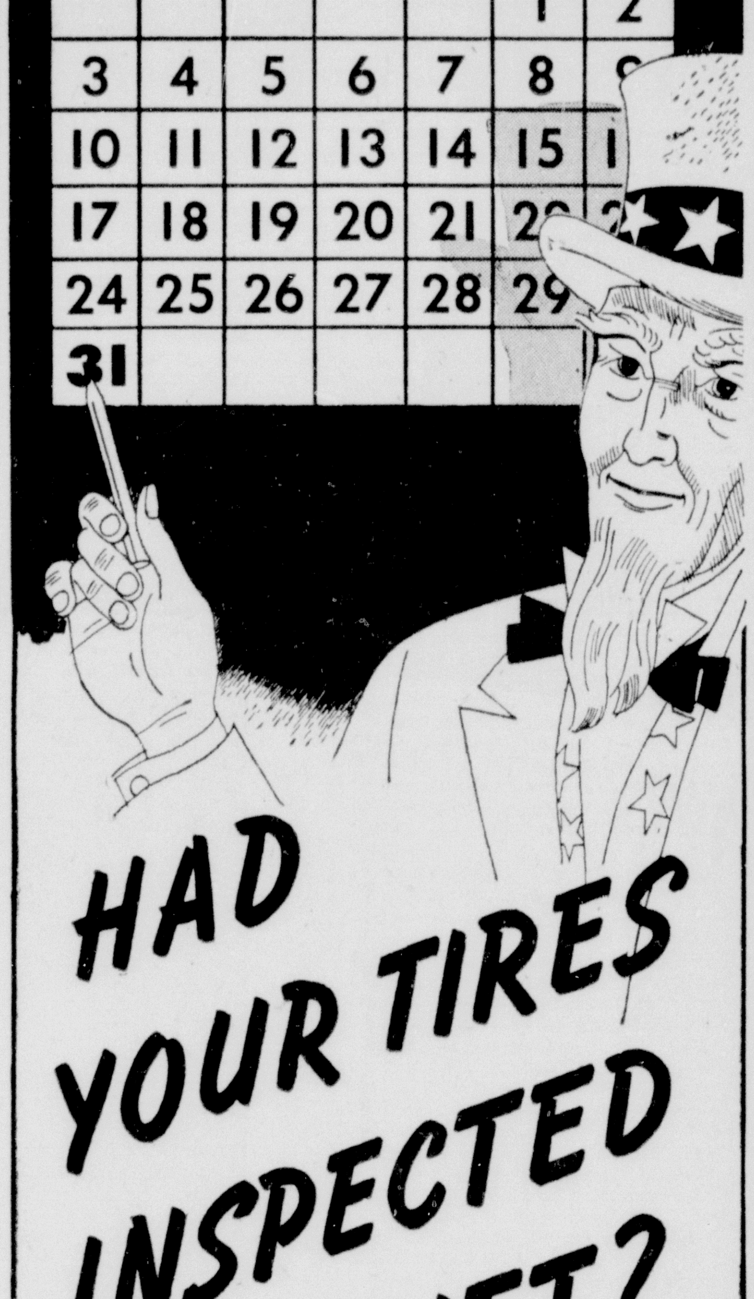

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WOMEN'S SECTION

ACTIVITIES--CLUBS--INTERESTS
Eve Bradford, Editor

Monroe Morning World
Sunday, December 27, 1942

Miss Cornelia McHenry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl McHenry, upper left, and Miss Jessie Lee Touchstone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Touchstone, lower left, students at Randolph Macon college, and Miss JoAnn Biedenharn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Biedenharn, upper right, were the lovely guests of honor at a Christmas ball on the terrace of the Frances hotel given by their parents.

Mrs. Henry Watkins Ellerson, Jr., lovely bride of recent date and her sister, Miss Marie Thompson, who served as maid of honor at her wedding. Lower right.

Miss Nell DeLee Marries Lieutenant James Clinton Bone At Grace Church

eautiful Ceremony Is aid On Christmas Day

eption Held At Home Of Bride's Parents Following Wedding Of Couple

One of the outstanding nuptial events of the season took e on Christmas day at Grace Episcopal church when s Nell Delee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Seaborn DeLee, ame the bride of Lieutenant James Clinton Bones, son of Charles E. Bones of Shamrock, Texas.

e ceremony was performed at hirty o'clock in the evening with e church rector, Dr. E. F. Hay-, officiating in the presence of a concourse of friends and rela-

e church, ideally suited to a lelit wedding, was in Christmas e with holly wreaths in all the ows and suspended from the ny. Southern smilax fell in ful festoons from the choir loft. ets overflowing with Crimson ations created a dramatic splash lor.

ile the guests were assembling rganist, Mr. Henry Burgh, ren- a brilliant concert. He also ac- anied the soloist, Mrs. Henry field. She sang "I Love You " and "O Perfect Love."

e bride's attendants, Mrs. Thomas McDonald, matron of honor, Miss White, maid of honor, and es June Christian, Evelyn Jane h, Carolyn Oliver, Mrs. John er and Mrs. Josh Lang, wore anous gowns of nile green chif- trimmed in gold sequins. They ed gold colored taffeta muffs and Juliet caps of gold sequins.

e ring bearer, Tommy McDonald, a uniform and the flower girls, lyn Peters, Jan Demmary and Ethridge, wore exquisite frocks le green chiffon and carried little s of gold taffeta.

e bridegroom was attended by tenant Brooks W. Booker, the man, and Lieutenant Patrick lner, Lieutenant Arthur E. r, Captain Roger Terzia, Captain Ragsdale, Lieutenant Josh Lang, ain J. B. Armstrong and Lieuten- George Thorpe, groomsmen.

e bride, given in marriage by her er, wore a beautiful wedding gown hite slipper satin fashioned with fitting basque buttoned down the with self covered buttons, long -mutton sleeves and sweetheart line. A veil of English tulle fell nd the hem line of the court . It was caught to the hair with ronet of bouvardia. Her arm bou- was fashioned of white camellias bauvardia. For something old she an antique gold ring which has in the family of the bridegroom's er for generations.

llowing the ceremony a reception held at the home of the bride's nts. White chrysanthemums bank- he reception suite where members he wedding party stood to receive guests. Mrs. DeLee, standing in receiving line, wore an azure blue e model trimmed in gold sequins a corsage of American beauty s.

e bride's table in the dining room developed in green and white low plaques of white camellias placed at the four corners. The wedding cake, a magnificent confection embossed in lilies of the valley, graced the center of the table. It was cut by the bride and bridegroom before they left on their honeymoon in New Orleans and Baton Rouge.

The bride traveled in a smartly tailored advanced spring model of poudre blue light weight wool with black accessories. Lieutenant and Mrs. Bones will be at home to their friends at 1020 North Seventh street.

Mrs. DeLee, popular member of the younger set, is a graduate of Neville High school, Northeast Junior college and the Louisiana State university. She is a member of Delta Beta Sigma and Alpha Omicron Pi.

Lieutenant Bones, who is stationed at the A. A. F. Navigation school, this city, is a graduate of the Texas Technological college. He is a member of Alpha Chi fraternaty and Los Camaradas club.

Aviation cadets in Lt. Bones' class at Selman field formed an honor guard at the wedding. They were: Lt. O. A. Shaw, Lt. J. J. Bachner, Lt. L. H. Ballweg, Capt. W. S. Schubert, Lt. G. A. Portt, Lt. L. D. Connolly, Lt. J. P. Crozier, Lt. C. M. Cooper, Lt. W. F. Curry, Lt. R. H. Wheeler.

Out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Christian, Dr. and Mrs. Berkley De Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Ross De Lee, Dr. Stuart De Lee, Shreveport; Miss Kathleen McSween, Franklin, La.; Miss Sarah Francis Hinkle, New Orleans, La., Capt. W. S. Schubert, Alexandria, La., Miss Bessie Lee Baker, Rayville, La., Miss Ruth Noland, Rayville, La.

Miss Joyce Hare Weds Rev. C. C. Milstead

Loch Arbor Baptist church was the scene of a lovely wedding Tuesday night, December 22, when Miss Joyce Hare became the bride of the Reverend C. C. Milstead. Miss Helen Hare was her sister's maid of honor and the Reverend A. D. Buckley was best man. The church was beautifully decorated with the Christmas motif predominating.

Pre-nuptial music was furnished by Miss Gloria Dawn Barron, soloist, and Mrs. A. O. Buckley, accompanist. Miss Barron sang "Just Awearyin' For You" and "I Love You Truly."

The bridal party entered to the strains of Wagner's "Bridal Chorus." The bride was escorted by her father. Rev. Ollie James of Goldonna performed the impressive ring ceremony by candlelight. Music for the recessional was Mendelsaohn's "Wedding March."

The bride wore an attractive tailleur of azure blue wool with navy accessories. The maid of honor wore navy blue with rose accessories. For something borrowed, the bride wore a lovely cameo brooch belonging to Miss Catherine Pickett.

Mrs. Milstead is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hare of Swartz and is a graduate of Ouachita Parish High school and Northeast Junior college. The groom attended Baptist Bible institute. Both are now students at Mississippi college, Clinton, Miss., where they will make their home.

The Reverend Milstead is pastor of the Bethany Baptist church near Columbia and of the Sanford Baptist church of Sanford, Miss.

At the close of the ceremony, the bride and groom were presented with handsome gifts from their many friends.

Miss Inez Sawyer And Jerry Schulman Married

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Inez Sawyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sawyer, of Farmerville, La., and Private (f. c.) Jerry Schulman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Schuman of Brooklyn, N. Y. at the home of Reverend N. T. Smith of this city, December 22.

The young couple are now at home to their friends at 107 Adams street, this city. Private Schulman is stationed at the A. A. F. Navigation school.

Society Calendar

Monday

Eta Chapter Phi Kappa fraternity 19 annual Christmas ball at Lakeside Country club. 9 p.m.

Miss Gale McDonald will entertain with a luncheon complimentary to Miss Christine Galloway, at her home, Monday at 1 p.m.

Tuesday

Business and Professional Women's annual Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Slator, South Grand street. 8 p.m.

Wednesday, December 30

Spinster club Christmas ball on the Frances hotel terrace. 9 to 1.

Abernathy-Galloway wedding rehearsal at First Presbyterian church.

Miss Charlene Bansiter will entertain the Abernathy-Galloway wedding party at her residence, 2008 North Third street, following the wedding rehearsal.

Miss Jean Parsons and Miss Edith Lingle will entertain with a shower complimentary to Miss Christine Galloway, at 109 Smith street, Tuesday at 5 p.m.

Thursday, December 31

The marriage of Miss Christine Galloway to Lieutenant James Abernathy at the First Presbyterian church at 5:30 p.m. Reception at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin F. Russell, 615 North Third street.

Christmas Party Given By Mrs. Irwin Harper

A Christmas party, unique in detail and characterized by gracious hospitality, was given by Mrs. Irwin Harper at her home on Pear street last week.

The reception suite, candlelit and fragrant with the odor of pine, was a delightful setting for the guests who were entertained with Christmas carols and dramatic stories of Christmas.

Mrs. Wayne Wamsley sang in beautiful voice "Silent Night" and Mrs. W. L. Perce read a lovely article "The Glorified Stable." The story of the "Three Wise Men" was told by Mrs. William McDowell and Mrs. George Wesley Smith, read several original poems. Mrs. C. C. Miller's talk reflected the spirit of Christmas.

One of the most interesting stories was told by Mrs. E. P. Cudd. The subject of her talk was "She picked up Her Brushes and Pen at 77."

Mrs. Harper entertained her guests with one of her own piano compositions, "In The Silence."

Mrs. Ruth Howell read a beautiful Christmas story, "The Ragged Cloak" by Margaret Sangster. It was Darius of Bibical fame, who laid his shabby coat across the golden hay in the manger where the Christ child was born.

It was Darius, so the story goes, who brought Mary a cup of new milk and who supported her as she drank it. It was Joseph who shaded the light of the lantern and composed the woman on her bed of straw, but it was Darius' cloak that kept the straw from scratching her. Darius, who had never known the accepted words of a prayer, was close to praying without words, as he made his way across the stable floor and opened the door just a crack to let in air that, through biting, was fresh. It was only when he peered through the slit-like opening that he realized how bright the courtyard was. He thought at first that the inn was burning, so brilliantly were trees and buildings etched against the night—and then he saw that the radiance came from the sky. For directly over the stable a great Star hung in the heavens—a Star so white and wonderful that it almost frightened Darius. And yet it didn't frighten him either—for something in the starshine made him think of the woman's smile.

Mrs. Harper served her guests luscious confections in the dining room where the coffee table was adorned with a miniature lighted Christmas tree dripping with silver and sparkling baubles. The service plates used on this occasion were handpainted by the hostess.

Interesting Collection Of Buttons Described

A Louisiana collector describes a friend's hobby that has become somewhat of a record, and certainly an interest to people throughout the United States. The collector is Mrs. Clinton Smith, former art teacher from Orland, Indiana, who is a collector of buttons. Mrs. Smith describes to Mrs. M. E. Kidd of Choudrant, La., a pin collector, the widespread in her button collection.

Mrs. Smith has in her collection 22,113 buttons. Most of them are mounted on cardboard in blocks of 5,000 each, and 10,364 are sewed on a dress with 1,200 feet of threat. Also a hat is covered with 400 buttons. The dress weighs 16½ pounds.

Many of these buttons have had vital connections in brilliant episodes of history. One was picked up in a lifeboat from the Titanic in its sinking in 1912; another from the great Chicago fire of 1871; and many from Poland, most of them coming from Warsaw—most of them over 150 years old.

There are buttons in this collection from notables such as Bette Davis and Shirley Temple. Others have scenes on them from Cleopatra, Lohengrin, The Fortyniners, Yum Yum, and Romeo and Juliet. Also from many others.

Two hundred and thirteen people have contributed to Mrs. Smith's collection. People who have only heard of her just by name and collection have sent her old and historical buttons. She has buttons of every kind including wooden, pearls of all kinds, gorgeous jets, jewelled, inlaid, painted, miniature, goldstone, China, horn, bone, Goodyear rubber, calicoes, and old metals.

Many of her treasured buttons come from Poland, Scotland, South Africa, Persia, Australia, France, China, Czechoslovakia, England, Rumania, and Cuba.

Mrs. Smith has only been collecting buttons for four years, but as one can see has made those years resourceful.

Her buttons are on display for those who pass by her home.

MARRIED IN WEST MONROE

Lieutenant and Mrs. E. W. Yancey, snapped as they were leaving the First Methodist church of West Monroe, following their marriage. Mrs. Yancey will be remembered as Miss Mary Virginia Beard.

En Passant

was commissioned last Aug 24. After six weeks at the AAF Officers' Training School, Miami Beach, Fla., he came to Selman Field. Besides being Assistant Summary Court Officer, Lt. Domas is a member of the Motor Vehicle Accident Board.

The officer under whom Lt. Domas works is Maj. Charles J. Baker, of New York City, Courts and Boards Officer, Summary Court Officer, and Assistant Administrative Inspector. A World War veteran, Maj. Baker enlisted as a private on June 1, 1916, saw service with the depot unit of the Fighting 69th in New York City during the last war and has since belonged to the N. Y. National Guard and the Officers' Reserve Corps.

Also in the past tense is the D. B. S. tea dance at Lakeside Country club and the Delta Beta ball later. The two affairs were outstanding events of Christmas week. The [illegible] of young folks danced all over the place amid the subtle fragrance of piney and woodsy wreaths. Girls wore their most important frocks and young men not in uniforms wore their tuxedos with bouttonieres. The sponsors, Betty Hale, Dorothea Girault and Margaret O'Leaves, were shining examples of the ideal girl of today.

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Looking ahead this week we find the Spinster's club ball looming with prominence on the calendar of brilliant events. The Phi Kappa nineteenth annual ball on Monday night at Lakeside Country club is another glamorous event eagerly anticipated by the dancing set. These fraternity men are a gallant company of young men who strive each year to make their Christmas ball more brilliant and more enjoyable than the previous one.

TRAINING SERVICE PROVIDES MANY MEN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The war manpower commission reported today that its training-within-industry service had prepared more than 320,000 supervisors, foremen and crew chiefs to provide job instruction to other workers at their plants.

"The announced goal of 335,000 trainers by the end of 1942 will be reached," the commission said, adding that job instructor training programs have been put into effect in more than 6,500 war plants which employ more than 6,000,000 men and women.

The program teaches job instructors to break down jobs into simple steps or operations. The instructor explains and demonstrates the job then

Miss Pearl Rushing Marries H. W. Tolson

Interest is centered in the announcement of the marriage of Miss Pearl Kathleene Rushing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Rushing of Alto, La., and Mr. H. W. (Buddy) Tolson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Tolson of this city, December 16, at the home of Reverend L. T. Hastings, pastor of the First Baptist church who performed the ceremony in the presence of a few intimate friends and members of the family.

The Christmas colors were in evidence in the library of the Hastings home where the ceremony was performed.

The bride wore an advanced spring model of printed crepe with spring hat and a corsage of orchids. For something old she wore an antique ring belonging to her mother.

The bride's attendant, Miss Rosemarie Stroud, of Jonesville, La., wore blue velvet model with corsage of white carnations.

Private (f. c.) James Tolson served in the capacity of best man. Mr. Mike D. Tarver served as groomsman.

Following a honeymoon the bride and bridegroom are now at home to their friends at 412 Pine street.

Mrs. Tolson is a graduate of the Mangham high school and B. M. I. Business college. She is now associated with the city light and water department in the city hall.

The bridegroom is with the armed forces and was recently stationed at Camp Carson, Colo. He is a graduate of the Ouachita Parish High school and is a member of Sigma Phi Omega fraternity.

Out of town guests attending the wedding were: Miss Myrtle Lee Newcomer, Mr. Carter Ackell, Mrs. Mike D. Tarver, Miss Beth Edwards, Miss Frances Smith, Mr. Frank Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Donald, Miss Jo Ellen Thompson and Mr. Jake Benton.

RED CROSS CALENDAR SURGICAL DRESSING

Monday night—7 to 9 p.m., Red Cross headquarters, NYA Bldg., West Monroe.

Tuesday—9 to 12 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m., service men's wives, American Legoin home.

Wednesday—9 to 12 a.m., 2 to 5 p.m., American Legion home, Northeast Junior college, Red Cross headquarters and NYA building, West Monroe.

Thursday—9 to 12 a.m., 2 to 5 p.m., American Legion home, Northeast Junior college, NYA building, West Monroe, Red Cross headquarters, 7 to 9 p.m., Red Cross headquarters.

Friday—9 to 12 a.m., 2 to 5 p.m., American Legion home, Northeast Junior college, Red Cross headquarters and NYA building, West Monroe.

Mrs. Mailhes Greets State P.-T. A. Members

Mrs. Lawrence A. Mailhes, of the Louisiana Parent-Teacher association, sent a Christmas message to all P.-T.A. clubs telling of the importance of the parent-teacher work during our present world conflict. The letter follows:

"Christmas of 1942 is feeling the result of war conditions, and will be different in many ways—fewer presents, fewer greeting cards, absence of loved ones, new experiences, and I believe it will be a very quiet Christmas.

"However, a touch of Christmas makes the whole world kin—anywhere—even on ships at sea, army camps, hospitals, one will note the faces of the unfortunate brighten, for Christmas is a radiance not merely within the home, but within the heart as well.

"And it is the Home, where our children learn love and consideration, and duty upon which the great success of life is based. Home is the child's first school, and our Parent-Teacher program is so fine and beneficial in aiding parents to make their homes happy and loving. It looks now, as though Home will come into its own, and more time will be spent together—for after all, is it not true that in home teaching lies the hope of world peace—for this hope is held in the hands and hearts of our children. And whether or not this hope is realized in the years ahead depends upon the things they are taught in the home at the time they are forming their habits of thinking and their habits of living.

"Christmas 1942 will see a change . . . Christmas is a time when many in type gifts—defense stamps and bonds, to aid in the fight for victory parents are making great sacrifices to bring to their children gifts that will give them joy and happiness for a season—so it is hoped all will have some Christmas spirit, a universal birthday within ourselves.

"Our parent-teacher members are working very hard in all type defense activities—Red Cross, block mothers, and are called upon in every community to be of service to accept responsibility with joy.

"After the stress and strain of the year, let us pause, with the hope that will give gifts of love and understanding which in turn will beget good will and peace on earth.

Private James McDaniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cleve McDaniel, has just returned to Fort Ord, Calif., after a fourteen-day furlough with his parents. He was accompanied on the visit by his wife, the former Miss Rejohnia Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clark, Jr.

Dancing Party Honors Three Popular Girls

Misses Cornelia McHenry, Jessie Lee Touchstone And Jo Ann Biedenharn Feted

Three lovely members of the younger set, Miss Cornelia McHenry and Miss Jessie Lee Touchstone, home from Randolph Macon college, and Miss JoAnn Biedenharn, were named guests of honor at a brilliant Christmas ball arranged by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl McHenry, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Touchstone and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Biedenharn, on the terrace of the Frances hotel.

The scene on the ball room floor was a scintillating one with the girls in glamorous evening frocks and the majority of young men in uniform. Conspicuous among the dancers were the three guests of honor who wore diaphanous evening gowns. Miss McHenry wore a champagne net model with a white camellia in her hair. Miss Biedenharn wore a white net model very full as to skirt and with a tight fitting basque. Miss Touchstone wore a white net model trimmed in bands of silver alternated with pink and blue.

They stood with their escorts, Prentice Lenard, Henry Bernstein and Billy Ensminger at the entrance to the terrace to receive the guests numbering two hundred or more. Mr. and Mrs. McHenry, Mr. and Mrs. Biedenharn and Mr. and Mrs. Touchstone were also in the receiving line.

During the intermission chicken sandwiches and iced fruit punch was served from a spacious buffet in an alcove where comfortable seats were grouped for a few members of the married set who watched the dancers from the sidelines. Among them were noted: Judge and Mrs. David Garrett, Mr and Mrs. Aylmer Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Boardman, Mrs. Reese Major, Mrs. F. C. Shotwell, Mrs. D. A. Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Engstrom, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Sholars, Mrs. Satchie Cooper and others.

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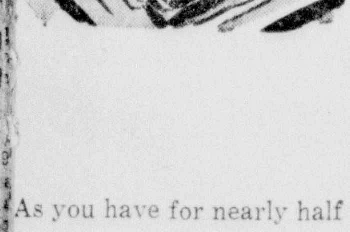

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Miss Frances Eugenia Thompson Marries Lieutenant Henry W. Ellerson, Jr

Ceremony Solemnized At Methodist Church

Wedding, Characterized By Charming Simplicity, Is Followed By Reception

Highlighting the interesting events of the holiday season was the marriage of Miss Frances Eugene Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grady Thompson, and Lieutenant Henry Watkins Ellerson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Ellerson of Richmond, Va., December 21, at the First Methodist church, this city, with the pastor, Dr. A. M. Serex, performing the impressive double ring ceremony.

The wedding, characterized by charming simplicity, took place at five o'clock in the afternoon in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives filling the spacious confines of the church to capacity.

A dignified setting for the ceremony was created by a solid background of palms and woodwardia fern. Tall baskets overflowing with pink and white gladioli formed a flowery enclosure for the wedding party. In the background cathedral tapers gleamed in white wrought iron candelabra of graduated lengths.

While the guests were being seated by the ushers, Mr. Risdon Wood and Mr. Levins Thompson, brother of the bride, the organist, Mrs. Gates McHenry, rendered an impressive nuptial concert. She also accompanied the soloist, Mrs. Henry Whitfield who sang in beautiful voice, "I love Thee" and "Because."

The bride's sister, Miss Marie Thompson served as maid of honor. She wore a pastel blue chiffon model with long full skirt and tight fitting basque and carried an arm bouquet of pink Butterfly roses tied with long lengths of pink satin ribbon.

Mr. James Mullen the second of Richmond, Va., served in the capacity of best man.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore the traditional white satin wedding gown of charming simplicity. The skirt, long and full, ended in a court train over which fell a handsome tulle veil caught to the head with a coronet of orange blossoms and pearls first worn by her great-great grandmother at her wedding in 1811. The coronet was also worn by the bride's great grandmother in 1836 and her mother on her wedding day. A bouquet of white orchids and white gladioli completed the distinctive ensemble.

The bride's only ornament was her wedding gift from the bridegroom, an exquisite string of pearls.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Thompson home where Mr. and Mrs. Thompson extended gracious courtesies. Mrs. Thompson wore a burgandy crepe model with a corsage of orchids. Mrs. Ellerson, the bride-groom's mother, wore a beautiful black crepe model with orchid corsage. Mrs. O. T. Jamerson of Washington, D. C. standing in the receiving line, wore a black crepe model with corsage of gardenias.

The bride and bridegroom before leaving on their honeymoon cut their beautifully embossed wedding cake. It graced the center of the lace covered, candelit, bride's table in the dining room. The cake was surmounted with a crystalized wedding bell and fresh lilies of the valley.

Individual wedding cakes and iced fruit punch was served by Miss Gladys Emma Whitfield, Miss Snow Drew, Miss Winona Pace, Miss Elizabeth Benton, Miss Helen Lowe, Miss Tessie Schexnaidie, and Mrs. Levins Thompson.

The bride changed her wedding raiment for a smart two-piece advanced spring model of salute blue crepe braided in the same color with a spring hat of blue. Following a honeymoon the young couple will be at home at Lexington, Va., where Lieutenant Ellerson is an instructor in military tactics at Virginia Military Institute. Lieutenant Ellerson is a graduate of Virginia Military Institute.

The bride, a young woman with charming personality, is a graduate of the Louisiana State Normal college and is a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority.

Out of town guests attending the wedding were: Mrs. O. T. Jamerson, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. H. W. Ellerson, Richmond, Va.; Miss Helen Lowe, Haynesville, La.; Miss Tessie Schexnaidre, Shreveport, La.; Mrs. Wayne Downer, Longstreet, La.; Miss Alma Levins, Shreveport, La.; Mrs. L. F. Pace, Miss Winona Pace, Miss Martha Pace, Heflin, La.; Mrs. M. F. Courtney, Miss Mary Alma Courtney, Miss Barbara Courtney, Mt. Lebanon, La.; and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Thompson, Columbia, La.

Red Cross Seeking Volunteer Workers

The local chapter of the American Red Cross is again appealing to the women of Monroe to align themselves with three very vital phases of volunteer work.

The fact that our country faces a serious shortage of trained nurses has prompted the Red Cross offer to train women as nurses aides. The present nurses must be relieved and aided in their work and for this reason the Red Cross hopes that women will answer this urgent appeal.

The Red Cross Nurse's Aides has announced that several classes graduated recently and that new classes are being formed. Those wishing to volunteer for this service are asked to contact the local Red Cross office for registration. The Nurses Aide relieves the trained nurse for more technical work and as more and more nurses are being called into service the need for aides to the remaining nurses becomes greater.

Due to crowded conditions in hospitals and the shortages of nurses and doctors, American homes must be ready to care properly for our increasing birth rate. Mothers as well as civilian workers must be kept strong and well. This burden falls upon the Home Nurses, another vital volunteer worker. Home nurses are trained to care for new babies and mothers as well as for cases of minor illness.

More and more nurses are needed every hour. The problem is now a never-ending circle. To relieve army and navy nurses who have seen active duty and are anxious to return to the battle front, there is a crying need for more trained nurses to re-enter the profession or apply for army and navy commissions. And rounding out the circle are the Red Cross Nurse's Aides who step in to relieve the civilians when the nurses have left depleted hospital staffs.

"Nurses, here is an opportunity for you to respond to the call which has always been uppermost in your minds, namely, that of serving your country in time of need. Your country needs you now. Will you respond to this call? Contact your nearest Red Cross chapter and enroll now."

The big news in the nursing service is the action of the war department in opening the army nursing service to married women under 40 years of age. This is a reservoir of nursing strength previously untapped for military assignment.

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MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Miss Martha Lorene Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Ray, whose marriage to Staff Sergeant Anthony P. Messina, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Messina, is announced today by her parents. The wedding took place December 12 at St. Matthew's church.

Ten Fields Of Work For P.-T. A. Outlined

Although every good P.-T.A. member knows what she can do to help the nation's war program, a summary of the ten fields in which P.-T.A. is most active, has been published in pamphlet form. This pocket-size handbook outlines the specific ways in which parents and teachers can serve.

The 10 fields are morale, health, education, juvenile protection, consumer safeguards, safety, recreation, aid to the men in service, community co-operation and volunteer service, and wartime finance. The P.-T.A. program of legislation to protect children is included in the list of things to work for.

The consumer safeguards section of the handbook covers study of inflation; food-buying principles; maintenance of quality standards; buying, care, and repair of clothing; enrichment of foods, and salvage.

The safety division sets forth seven specific community safegurads, and the recreation section urges "family play and simple pleasures" as well as striving for "making the schoolhouse and the public library centers for community activities."

Home hospitality and building of "community sentiment for maintenance of wholesome community standards" are stressed under the section on aid to the men in service. Co-operation with existing agencies and enlisting the best qualified persons are urged under community cooperation and volunteer service.

Under wartime finance, the handbook urges purchase of War Bonds and Stamps not only by individuals but by P.-T.A.'s "as an investment for parent-teacher savings, endowments, and other permanent funds." It suggests lending the use of meeting platforms for talks on welfare agencies such as the Red Cross, USO, and Community Chest, and under a subdivision on savings, assets: "avoid all purchases of goods not absolutely needed."

Virginia Vance Liner To Wed Thomas Gibbs

Claiming the sincere interest of friends of this city and throughout the state is the announcement made today by Mr. and Mrs. Fred P. Liner of Homer, of the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Virginia Vance, to Aviation Cadet Thomas Edward Gibbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Gibbs of this city.

Miss Liner, popular member of the younger set, is a graduate of the Homer High school, and is now attending Louisiana State university, majoring in music. She is a member of the Chi Omega sorority. She is the granddaughter of the late J. J. Liner and Mrs. J. J. Liner of Ruston, and the niece of Mr. and Mrs. Conway liner of this city.

Cadet Gibbs is a graduate of the Ouachita Parish High school, attended Northeast Junior college and Louisiana Tech School of Engineering. He received his primary flight training at Northeast Junior college and entered the service in July of this year. His basic training was obtained at the naval air base in New Orleans and at present is stationed at the Naval Air station, Pensacola, Florida. His grandfather was the late James Monroe Gibbs, prominent planter of Sabine parish.

Detail plans for the wedding have not been completed. The young couple will be married when Cadet Gibbs receives his commission.

Welcome Branch Club Furnishes Squad Room

Members of the Welcome Branch club are most enthusiastic in their work of furnishing and decorating the reading room of the 329th Squadron at Selman Field.

Considerable thought has been given to the painting and furnishing of this room. The squadron's color, maroon, has been carried out in the rug, hand made drapes and the well stocked book shelves that line the walls. Comfortable chairs, desks, a couch and reading lamps are among the contributions made by the members of the club.

From time to time members visit the reading room, and of particular interest was the "Christmas Cheer" visit a home like atmosphere was created by the Christmas decorations and the abundance of confections placed at the disposal of the boys.

Welcome Branch had for some time planned a reading room just for the boys, and scarcely had the appeal for furnishing the rooms on the field been made when a well furnished room became a reality.

Paintings from the brushes of two Welcome Branch members, Mrs. H. R. Saenger and Mrs. Harry Moore will later adorn the walls.

Much credit is due Mrs. L. V. Tarver, Mrs. Paul T. Wright, Mrs. San Campbell and Mrs. Harry Moore, the committee who have worked faithfully and well on this project.

Miss Martha Ray Weds Sergeant Joe Messina

A wedding of sincere interest t friends is that of Miss Martha L. Ray daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Ray of Clarks, to Sgt. Anthony P. Messina, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Messina of this city. The wedding took place December 12, 1942 at St. Matthews Church at 8 o'clock nuptial mass. The nuptials were performed by Msgr. Vandegear.

Throughout the ceremony Mrs. D. G. Nichols, at the organ, played nuptial music, and accompanied Mr. James Francis Canizaro of Vicksburg, Miss., who sang "Ava Maria" and "Blessed Mother."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a beautiful gown of white satin with a full skirt falling into a train. Her finger-tip veil fell from a crown of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white gardenias and Bovardia. The bride was attended by Miss Sarah Messina who wore pink satin and net with a shoulder length veil. She carried a bouquet of pink Pinocchi roses. The bridegroom was attended by Corporal Tony Cascio of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina.

Following the nuptials a reception was held at the home of the bridegroom's parents.

After a short wedding trip Mrs. Messina will resume her position at the AAF Navigation School, Selman Field. Sgt. Messina will return to duty with the Army Air forces, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Miss Lillian Young And Sergeant Wynn Married

The marriage of Miss Lillian Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Young of Jonesville, and Staff Sergeant O. G. Wynn, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Wynn, Sr., of Sicily Island, was recently solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Robertson in Manifest. The Rev. Harold B. Teer, pastor of the Sicily Island Methodist Church, performed the ceremony in the presence of friends of the couple.

At present, Mrs. Wynn is employed as teacher of home economics in the Manifest High school. She is a graduate of Block High school and Louisiana Polytechnic institute, from which she finished with honors in 1940.

Sergeant Wynn is stationed at Fort Bragg, N. C. He graduated from Jena High school and later attended Alexandria Business college.

In attendance at the wedding were Mrs. Lola Mae Cooper, Mrs. D. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Robertson, Lister Alexandria and Coy Wynn, brother of the groom.

A daughter, Mary Jane, was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Young, 1608 North Fourth street, at the St. Francis sanitarium on December 24.

University Women Are Guests Of Mrs. Neal

The Monroe chapter of the American association of University Women held its December meeting in the home of Mrs. Paul J. Neal on Auburn avenue. Co-hostesses on this occasion were Miss Mary Clay, Miss Frances Michie and Miss Francis Smith.

Miss Frances Flanders presided. The association adopted a motion to offer its services to the Office of Civilian Defense to help explain to the general public the new ration books. This activity was suggested by the national organization and branches of the A. A. U. W. in all parts of the United States are helping to bring this information to the public as a whole.

The association also pledged itself to assist in furnishing and decorating one of the reception rooms at the Navigation School.

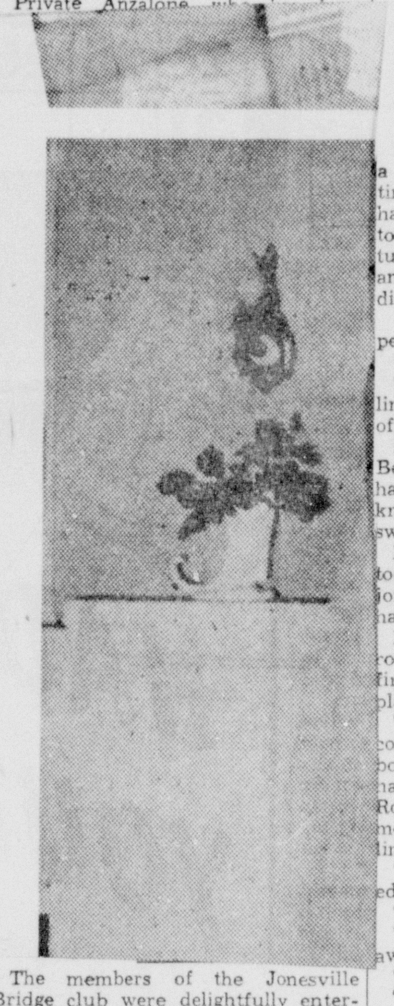
W. R. Hammond, head of the department of Social Sciences at Northeast Junior College, spoke on the future of American democracy. He traced the origin and development of the democratic ideal and mentioned the part the United States must play in the post-war world.

At the conclusion of the program, the hostesses served delicious refreshments to the following members: Mrs. C. C. Colvert, Mrs. John Coon, Mrs. L. N. DeWitt, Miss Carrie Dee Drew, Miss Frances Flanders, Miss Mary Hester, Mrs. W. R. Hammond, Mrs. H. F. Hinkley, Mrs. Travis Hollis, Mrs. H. D. King, Miss Zelda Moss, Mrs. D. H. Martin, Mrs. Mary Vaughan Peavy, Mrs. Sam Smith, Mrs. R. E. Stivison, Mrs. Galvin Walker, Miss Esther Elam, Mrs. P. R. Hawkins and Mrs. A. L. Tatum.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Timmerman, 3105 South Grand street, are entertaining their sons and daughters who have come home for the holidays. They are First Class Petty Officer W. E. Timmerman, coast guard, Galveston, Tex.; First Class Seaman Stanley S. Timmerman, New Orleans; Miss Clarice Timmerman, Mer Rouge; and Miss Ludell Timmerman, Natchitoches, with the United States war department.

Staff Sergeant Russell Chandler, aerial photographer in government service, who has been stationed in British Guiana, is home for the holidays which he is spending with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Wilson, 321 Howard street.

Private Anzalone



The members of the Jonesville Bridge club were delightfully entertained on Friday afternoon of last week by Mrs. Glynn Moore in her home, Wildsville. The two tables were arranged in the reception room which was gayly decorated in the Christmas motif with a large Christmas tree as the chief ornament.

The progressions resulted in Mrs. Barney Atkins winning the high score prize, Mrs. R. P. Boyd the second award and Mrs. Moore the consolation.

A delicious salad course was enjoyed after the games.

Mrs. M. L. Levy and son, Jon, left the first of the week for Cincinnati, O., where they will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Grayson

Torpedoman, second class, Andy Williamson, New Orleans, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Luella Williamson.

Sergeant George Cruse, Perrin field, Sherman, Tex., has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Cruse.

Mr. and Mrs. Cotys Mouser and children, Beth and John, Natchitoches, are visiting Mrs. Elizabeth Mathis.

Friends of Mrs. W. S. Howell are glad to know that she is improving at her home from a recent illness. Her daughter, Mrs. T. O. Watson of Jena, is with her.

Private and Mrs. Wilson Gordy, Sheppard field, Texas, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Gordy and Mrs. Fannie Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Gordy and daugther, Shirley Ann, of Alexandria, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Gordy and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Reeves.

Miss Willie Jeannette Fore, Sebring, Fla., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Fore.

Miss Myrth Fore was a recent visitor in Olla with Mrs. O. A. Hopkins and family.

During the years before the war, machine tools were produced at the rate of $100,000,000 worth a year. Now more than that amount are produced in a single month.

WED IN RICHMOND . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Nobles who were married in Richmond, Va., are shown as they cut their wedding cake before departing on their honeymoon which was spent in New York. Mrs. Nobles before her marriage was Miss Opal Louise Curry who is a student nurse in Shreveport, and the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Curry of this city. Mr. Nobles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Nobles of New Orleans and is now in foreign service with the Seebees of the United States navy.

• SERIAL STORY

FRANTIC FESTIVAL

BY EDMUND FANCOTT

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CHAPTER X

"Not going?"

"No."

"You're staying?"

"Yeah."

"You're crazy."

"I ain't crazy."

"Then why are you staying?"

"We're having a Christmas party."

"And you're Santa Claus."

Beano was stubborn. "When I was a kid I never had fun at Christmas time. Now I can help these kids to have a good time and I'm not going to spoil their party. Besides, there's a turkey in there as big as an ostrich, and I don't want to miss that turkey dinner."

"Not if it costs you 20 years in the pen?"

"I'll beat it after dinner, not before."

"You'll beat it with a pair of cuff links on your wrists that won't come off till they unlock them."

Beano's jaw set like a rock and Benny shrugged his shoulders. He had seen Beano like that before and knew he was beyond the influence of sweet reason.

He shrugged his shoulders again, took another mince pie and went to join the others. He was not any too happy about the situation.

Benny returned to the wide living room of the lounge where a cheerful fire was blazing in the stone fireplace.

The Christmas tree was gay with color and sparkling with tinsel. Everybody had been so busy that no one had noticed his absence. He joined Ross Benson, who was taking a moment off while Fay went disentangling some problem with Myra.

"Nice girl you got." His eyes watched Fay.

"She's not my girl," said Ross.

"That's right," said Benny. "Keep away from them."

"Not me," said Ross. "I love 'em."

"Wait till you get older," said Benny. There was a warning note in his voice.

"Nothing doing," said Ross. "You're only young twice and the second time it's too late."

"Well, if you must, pick 'em like that." He nodded towards Fay. "Now that's a nice kid. Too skinny for my taste but look at that smile, all over her face, but it's the genuine thing. Get her and you keep her."

"I'm not playing for keeps."

Benny drifted over to Fay and Myra. Myra noted the slight uneasiness that dampened his usual assurance.

"Feeling good, Benny?"

"Sure, I am, but them kids won't if they're going to eat all that stuff in the kitchen."

Meanwhile Beano was thinking hard. You couldn't trust anyone in these days, least of all a pair of dicks whose job was to recover the diamonds to save their company paying out a heavy sum for insurance. Guys that would choose a time like Christmas to chase other guys who hadn't really done anything wrong couldn't be trusted to understand how innocent a guy really was. But if they couldn't find the ice they couldn't pin anything on him unless Benny was playing ball with them for the reward for recovery.

* * *

Beano felt alone and deserted. At least Leona was faithful. Absentmindedly he hitched a leg up and half sat on the table.

Then a sudden inspiration hit him. The Christmas tree! If he went up to Leona's room and got the rest of the ice he could put it all together in the leather pouch and wrap it up in some red paper. He could label it, "To Leona, with all my love, from you know who," and hang it on the tree.

They wouldn't be giving the presents until after the turkey dinner. He could tell Leona so she wouldn't open it. He'd have to be Santa Claus again to make sure nothing went wrong. Then if the dicks did come before he got away they could search the house from top to bottom and they wouldn't find a thing. Who would think of searching a Christmas tree for hot ice?

The more he thought of it the better he liked the idea.

A little later he was bending somewhere around the back of the tree. Myra strolled around to him.

"Don't tell anyone I told you," she said, "but it looks to me as if you've been sitting in something."

Beano's hand went around to his seat and came away quickly. "Mincemeat," he said. "Must have sat on some pies in the kitchen."

"Seems like it," said Myra. "They're so soft you'd hardly notice it."

"Yeah," said Beano. "I thought it was warm."

"Just out of the oven. It's hard to carry them that way. Here's some paper to wrap them up in."

She handed him a sheet of paper with bells and holly on it.

"Hold this a moment," said Beano. "I'll go and fix myself."

He handed her a small packet. It was labeled "To Leona with all my love from you know who." She held it, waiting for him to return, wondering to what depths Beano had been smitten by the sultry beauty of Leona. She turned the little parcel over in her hands and something of the shape of the diamonds inside came through to her touch. She pressed a l harder, letting her fingers follow hardness and felling the stones m under her touch.

Then Beano was back, taking little parcel from her. He tied it c fully well up in the back of the and smiled with a satisfaction confirmed Myra's suspicions. Then noticed that he was with Leona, ding at the tree and going into an volved explanation. Leona che candy as he talked and gave no that her peace of mind was in way disturbed.

That night, Leona sat up in late to make up her beauty sleep to plan her future. It seemed ma to consist in convincing her fa that Beano was a gentleman means of his own that could be with the family if her father was sistent. She would also have to vince her father that Beano's in tions were honest and that it w pay better than her new job as artist's model.

After deciding her course of ac with her difficult parent she bega dream of her trousseau. As far as was concerned, careers for girls very much overrated. Her ideal life was to be left alone most of day in an apartment of her own all the movie magazines and a bo chocolates, and a husband to c home at night and take her to a sh

(To Be Continued)

St. Joseph

The St. Joseph Rotary club held Christmas meeting at the commu house, featuring an exchange of by everyone. Mrs. Claire Chenna Waterproof, the guest of honor, an unusually interesting display weapons from General Chenna famous Chinese collection. A delic turkey dinner was prepared served by the Presbyterian Auxili Mrs. C. M. Hughes and Mrs. Cl Chennault, both of Waterproof, Miss Patsy Wilds, St. Joseph, were guests.

Friends in St. Joseph are intere in learning of Hughes Bondurant's cent promotion to the rank of m in the United States army. He is stationed in Homestead, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Coor as their guests on Christmas day afterwards, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil C Centreville, Miss.

Mrs. Jack Parkman is visiting mother, Mrs. John Rincke, in Orleans for the Christmas holida

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Whitaker, tle Rock, Ark., are spending Christmas holidays in St. Joseph.

Mrs. Gilliard Conner of Baton Ro and her daughter, Mary Brittin, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bo rant, during the holidays.

Among the college visitors who home for the Christmas vacation Farrar Harper and Freeland Sr from L. S. U., Baton Rouge, Ge Howard Prince, Jean Manning Vera Manning from Southwes Louisiana institute, Lafayette, New Wilds, Jr., from Louisiana Tech, R ton, and Berta Harper from North Junior college, Monroe.

... then how about making these resolutions?

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3. Work hard at your job to speed Victory.

4. Don't spread rumors or information that might help the enemy.

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ain And Mrs. Wyatt Simpson Entertain For Newly-Promoted Officer And Wife

Mrs. Roland DeMichelle's birthday anniversary this year more joyous than ever before and associated with many ant surprises. The most joyous surprise of all was the uncement of her husband's promotion to the rank of enant colonel.

announcement accompanied the ful gifts showered upon the ce- t in the home of Captain and Wyatt Simpson who entertained dinner party complimentary to nant Colonel and Mrs. De- lle.

DeMichelle is one of the most ar young matrons coming re- to Monroe to establish resi- She is not only popular so- but is a prominent figure in Cross circles where she is ac- lishing some splendid work in urgical dressing unity.

es of officers of the A. A. F. ation school have taken Monroe ir hearts and Monroe has wel- them as active participants in Cross and other civic and club Without exception these offi- wives who have come here from red parts of the United States entered into the necessary war and are adapting themselves to new surroundings and their new of living.

es of officers are doing splendid in the surgical dressing unit and are knitting and doing USO Many have also entered into life of the city.

riday

Ferriday Women's club met at ome of Mrs. Howard Henderson Mrs. William Cuthbertson and Mary Harrison as co-hostesses. Ted Howes, pastor of the Sevier rial Methodist church, was guest er, using as his subject "The Spirit of Christmas." Mrs. D. B. ng read a paper on the United and Mrs. Otto Lancaster spoke Christmas in Many Lands." The am closed with the singing of tmas carols with Mrs. A. J. es as leader.

ring the social hour delicious re- ments were served. New mem- welcomed into the club at this were Mesdames E. Applegate, d Coleman, H. Duprew, and E. ll.

utenant George Dillon, Jr., of Beauregard, La., is home on a furlough with his parents, Mr. Mrs. George Dillon, Sr.

. Donald Theriot and Mrs. R. E. n spent several days with rela- in Houston, Texas, during the week.

and Mrs. T. F. Griffon are in where they were called because e illness of Mr. Griffon's father, riffon, Sr.

s. Josie Brothers, formerly of day, now of El Dorado, Ark., ere on a visit with Miss Daisy on.

s. William Cuthbertson and sons, Jr., and David, left on Thursday hicago, Ill., where they will spend olidays with relatives. Mr. Cuth- on will later join his family there.

s. Joseph Pasternack and family returned from New Orleans, e they spent the past week-end.

s. E. Carroll, Welsh, has been here visit with Mr. and Mrs. S. R.

many friends of Philip Hough, ia, are glad to see him home from Orleans, where he has been rgoing medical treatment.

l Matthews has departed for n Town, Pa., where he will be ed for several weeks.

ends regret to learn of the con- d illness of Julius, Jr., the young of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Aronstein, is a patient at a Ferriday hospital.

and Mrs. John Dale, Jr., have ned from a pleasant week-end ew Orleans.

ss Gladys Jones, Baton Rouge, the past week-end here with Mr. Mrs. L. H. Jones at Forest plan- . Miss Jones is employed on the of the L. S. U. Reville.

77TH TOPS ALL

e 77th Congress in session in 1942 opriated $225 billion, more money was appropriated by all 76 pre- s Congresses combined.

Lake Providence

Thirty-seven guests responded to invitations issued by Miss Elizabeth Langhofer, when she entertained so delightfully at the 400 club.

Billy Trieschman was the hostess' escort for the evening and other guests were Patsy Land and Vacel Razer, Dottie Schwartz of Tallulah and Chizzy Reed, Eddie Sue Bell and Bill Scott, Olive Ann Guenard and Carl Brown, Betty Hill and Billy Moore, Martha Surles and George Whittington, Patsy Evans and Salvadore De Vencenzi, Patricia Gore and Gary Frost, Judy DuBose and Roland Marcus, Jean Mitchell and Bernard Whittington, Margaret Goode and Tommy Rosenzweig, Etta Rose De Vencenzi and Jimmy Harrington, Dorothy McNemar and Preston Trim, Mary Elizabeth Powell and Bill Adams, Lottie Louise Lee of Tallulah and Ike Hartsell, Graham Schneider, Jim Phillips of Monroe, Eugene Henderson, Hutchison, Kans., and Nick Hamilton.

Dorothy McNemar found that reaching the age of sweet sixteen was both thrilling and delightful, as the occasion was celebrated with a dance at the 400 club. The birthday cake carried out a color scheme of red and white with red holders and white lighted tapers, and was festooned with floral decorations.

Among the dancers were Jimmie Harrington and Etta Rose De Vincenzi, Chizzy Reed and Betty Hill, Billy Trieschman and Margaret Goode, Bill Adams and Mary Elizabeth Powell, Salvadore De Vencenzi and Grace Nelson, Roland Marcus and Patsy Evans, C. A. Marlette and Jean Mitchell, E. H. White and Dorothy Jobe, Billy Moore and Preston Trim, the escort of the honoree.

Mary Elna Mitchell, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Mitchell, added to the pleasures of the week end with a most delightful birthday party, entertaining at the family home.

Contests and games were enjoyed throughout the evening by Alice Booker, Phallie Evans, Mary Ellen Johnson, Jo Rene Myers, Betty Jean Milstead, Jennie Wren Rosenzweig, Gwendolyn Walsworth, Ranny Cox, Ralph Frost, Bobby Nelson, Herman Schwartz, Joseph Titone, King Trieschmann, Robert Voelker, David Voelker, Nooker Voelker, Freeland Wagley, Donna Davis and Adrienne Williams.

Mrs. Earl Mitchell was installed worthy matron of Providence Chapter No. 42, Order Eastern Star, Monday evening in an impressive ceremony, with M. M. Walsworth as installing officer assisted by Miss Minnie B. Erwin as installing marshal.

Other officers inducted were Mallory Walsworth, worthy patron; Mrs. Bessie Walsworth, associate matron; Mrs. Grace Van Valkenburgh, secretary; Mrs. Maude Van Fossen, treasurer; Mrs. Annie Irene Turner, conductress; Mrs. Dora Nelson, associate conductress; Mrs. Viola Ellis, chaplain; Miss Minnie B. Erwin, marshal; Mrs. Ottilie Wall, Ruth; Miss Lucy Williamson, Esther; Mrs. Audrey Evans, Martha; Mrs. Helen Erwin, Electa and Mrs. Hazel White, warder.

Past matron's pin was a gift to Mrs. Lois Carnley, the junior past matron. Mrs. Ottilie Wall was presented with a silver certificate. Mrs. Earl Mitchell, Mrs. M. M. Walsworth and Mrs. H. T. Van Fossen were members with perfect attendance for the year.

Vail Delony, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vail Delony, celebrated her fifth birthday with a party at the family home on the lake.

Christmas decorations were used effectively, and gifts were presented each guest from the tree which centered the dining table.

Games and contests were enjoyed but the happiest moment came as each child was allowed to ride the Shetland pony.

Guests of the afternoon were John and Tommy Robinson, Anne Pinkston, Carolyn Babb, Joyce McDaniel, Anne Hair, Florence Rundell, George Ann Hider, Marc and Rose Leach.

Christmas was fittingly observed in the presentation of a play in the high school auditorium of the Lake Providence High school. Helen Van Foosen, as reader, gave the history of the first Christmas, with the reading interspersed with Christmas carols, sung by Olive Ann Guenard, Elizabeth Langhofer, Betty Hill, Ruth Hagel, Billy Trieschmann, Carl Bonner, Salvadore De Vencenzi and Patsy Evans, accompanist. Alice Booker took the part of Mary and J. Hortaire Guenard, Jr., Joseph.

Dick DuBose is home from L. S. U. to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. DuBose.

Miss Carrie Lee Heard, Ruston, was in Lake Providence for a few days visit with Misses Isabel and Flournoy Voelker.

Mrs. L. H. Richards will arrive from Little Rock to spend the Yuletide with her son and daughter Lawrence, Jr., and Joan in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hill.

Sunday Robinson has arrived in Lake Providence to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Robinson.

Miss Louise Hagel is spending the holidays in Oklahoma City, Okla., with her mother, Mrs. Leota Hagey, and grandmother, Mrs. Florence Hemsley.

Miss Helen Colvin is in San Antonio, Texas, to visit with friends at Brooksfield.

Miss Marmay Booker arrived the past week from Chicago to spend the Christmas season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Booker.

Miss Joy Burnham, member of the Lake Providence High school faculty, is spending the holidays in Haynesville with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Burnham.

Miss Sarah Stewart is spending the week in Amite, with her mother, Mrs. C. S. Stewart.

Miss Alexa Lawler is in Ruston for the week to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. L. T. Lawler.

Lake Providence friends regret to learn of the critical illness of Mrs. Omie Warren, who recently underwent a serious operation at a Vicksburg sanitarium.

Miss Louise Martin is spending the Christmas holidays with friends in Norfolk, Va., and Washington, D. C.

Gilbert Harkey and Ned Schneider came from Tech, Ruston, to be with Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Schneider and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Harkey.

Jack Wyly, Jr., and John Rolfe Howard are home from Northeast Center, Monroe, to spend the Christmas holidays with their relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Busbie were hosts at a spaghetti supper and Christmas gift exchange for the employes of Leach Stores. It was a most enjoyable evening for Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Frazier, Mrs. Charlie Leach, Mrs. Ruby Whittington, Mrs. H. L. Van and Mrs. H. T. Van Fossen.

INTRODUCING . . .

Mrs. Charles M. Nelms, a bride of December 12, was formerly Miss Marjorie Freeman. The marriage took place at the First Methodist church, this city.

AMERICAN FLAG IS INSTALLED IN COURT

In the courtroom of the Courts and Boards Office, just north of AAF Post Headquarters, hangs an American flag. A more appropriate place could not be found for it. It enhances the dignity of the courts which sit before it and gives a heightened sense of the justice which prevails under its domain.

The flag, which measures 6 by 4 feet, was given to 2nd Lt. Simeon J. Domas, Assistant Summary Court Officer, by the Young People's Christian Union of the Christian Universalist Church, Middletown, N. Y., where the lieutenant's brother, the Rev. I. J. Domas, is minister.

Lt. Domas, who hails from Boston, was commissioned last Aug. 24. After six weeks at the AAF Officers' Training School, Miami Beach, Fla., he came to Selman Field. Besides being Assistant Summary Court Officer, Lt. Domas is a member of the Motor Vehicle Accident Board.

The officer under whom Lt. Domas works is Maj. Charles J. Baker, of New York City, Courts and Boards Officer, Summary Court Officer, and Assistant Administrative Inspector. A World War veteran, Maj. Baker enlisted as a private on June 1, 1916, saw service with the depot unit of the Fighting 69th in New York City during the last war and has since belonged to the N. Y. National Guard and the Officers' Reserve Corps.

TRAINING SERVICE PROVIDES MANY MEN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The war manpower commission reported today that its training-within-industry service had prepared more than 320,000 supervisors, foremen and crew chiefs to provide job instruction to other workers at their plants.

"The announced goal of 335,000 trainers by the end of 1942 will be reached," the commission said, adding that job instructor training programs have been put into effect in more than 6,500 war plants which employ more than 6,000,000 men and women.

The program teaches job instructors to break down jobs into simple steps or operations. The instructor explains and demonstrates the job, then has the employe perform, first under supervision and later "on his own," explaining to his instructor what he is doing and why.

EX-ORLEANS WOMAN DIES

MEMPHIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Mrs. Anna Babis Loucks, 89, former New Orleans newspaper woman, died yesterday following an illness. Mrs. Loucks started a school page, believed to be one of the nation's first, on the New Orleans Times Picayune in 1909. She previously worked on the Baton Rouge Times.

SGT. AND MRS. UNDERWOOD

Sergeant and Mrs. Paul L. Underwood were recent visitors from San Diego, Calif. Mrs. Underwood was formerly Miss Mamie Lou Lovelady of this city.

MESS COURSE IS OPENED ON POST

A 10-week, 100-hour course in mess management was begun for officer and enlisted personnel of the AAF post, under the direction of First Lieutenants Frank A. McNellis and William M. Kelley, mess officers of the post enlisted men's messes. Two-hour sessions are held every afternoon, Monday through Friday, beginning at 1 p.m., in enlisted men's messhall No. 2.

Any one on the post may attend.

The course is compulsory for all mess officers, as well as for a number of others required to prepare for the eventuality of being assigned as mess officers. Mess sergeants, and many other enlisted men desiring to obtain higher ratings have attended the classes so far.

Instruction is given by a number of qualified officers, enlisted men and civilians, each of whom prepares lectures and demonstrations on one or more specific subjects. Each two-hour session is divided between book material and practical demonstration.

Among subjects to be covered are duties and discipline of mess personnel, kitchen management and administration, elements of nutrition, rations, inspection of foods, mess sanitation, field cooking and baking, messing on railway trains and transports, and specific expositions on various types of cooking and food preparation.

Those charged with the instruction include mess officers, physicians, a veterinarian, butchers and bakers, as well as other persons whose occupations have dealt directly with the problems under examination. The instructors include:

Major Robert F. Reynolds, Captain Ira R. Morrison, MC, Captains James E. Brown and William G. Forsyth; First Lieutenant George G. Embick, QMC, First Lieutenant Ralph W. Einhorn, VC, First Liteuenants Kelley, McNellis, Lorin W. Hoyt, Harry Lowden, and David L. Smallhorst; Second Lieutenants B. H. Roberts, Walter Kraft and Henry I. Orringer.

Technical Sergeant Prince M. Peevy; Staff Sergeants Jep L. Brown, Vernon Hyde, Camie Stansbury and John Javolic; Sergeant Joseph Haggerty, and Private Harry C. Wormick.

Civilian instructors are Walter D. McLendon and Chester Knight.

NOVEMBER BRIDE . . .

Mrs. Joseph E. Johnston, Jr., is included among the early winter brides.

REV. C. B. HASTINGS TO PREACH SUNDAY

At the morning hour, the congregation of the First Baptist church will be privileged to hear Rev. C. B. Hastings, son of Rev. and Mrs. L. T. Hastings. He and his bride of a few months are visiting his parents for the holidays. For the past year and a half he has been pastor of the First Baptist church, Harrisburg, Ill. Three years ago Brownlow, as he is known in Monroe supplied his father's pulpit one month while the local pastor and his wife made an extensive tour of the west. A large crowd is expected to hear the young minister.

At the evening hour the service will be conducted by the Baptist Student union and a social will follow. All college and high school students are invited to be present for the program and for the social. Baptismal service will be held prior to the social. Watchnight service is scheduled for Thursday night.

All the regular services will be held Sunday to which the public is invited to attend.

GRADUATE AS MECHANICS

Two West Monroe men have graduated as mechanics in two branches of the army. Private Julius A. May, son of Mrs. R. M. May, 110 Riverfront street, graduated as automotive mechanic from the Armored Force school at Fort Knox, Ky. Private Martin R. Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larkin R. Reynolds, has graduated in glider mechanics at Sheppard Field, Tex.

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SCHOOL HOUSE IN NEED OF REPAIRS

Wartime Rural Teacher Shortage Critical, Educators Agree

By Loyd Brady

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The little red school house needs repair badly, the wartime rural teacher shortage is becoming critical, and something should be done about it all, a group of educators reported today.

Agreeing that schools are the foundation of democracy in both war and peace, they declared that rural schools need as much or more attention than city schools, pointing out that in 1940 there were a million more children in rural areas than in cities.

"The little old weatherbeaten country school house too often stands just as it was at the close of the last war," the educators said.

"There is a great need for better rural school buildings. In one sense, the building is a symbol. Rural education is one of the most poorly housed enterprises in America."

These views were expressed in a report on a conference of rural education leaders, after study by the American Council of Education and the committee on rural education, and were released through the farm foundation.

The educators decided these problems needed attention:

1. The growing rural teacher shortage due to transportation, war and financial problems.

2. The financing of rural schools, which is imperilled by shrinkage of local revenues resulting from the war.

3. The integration of the rural school into the wartime life of its community; and

4. The planning of post-war rural education.

In the report, C. S. Marsh, vice-president of the American Council on Education, wrote:

"It is essential to winning the war itself and to the preservation of democracy for which we are fighting that the schools be kept open and the children provided with the facilities essential to this end."

His report cited figures from the United States office of education that the nation lacks 50,000 teachers for the 1942-43 terms, and listed as one cause the fact that rural teachers on the average are paid only $864 annually, slightly more than half the salary of their citified sisters.

Higher salaries in war work was listed also as a contributing factor. "A stenographer," Marsh wrote, "who is not a high school graduate and has had no previous work experience can go to work in the government at an entrance salary of $1,440. An experienced teacher with a master's degree works in a southern state for less than $1,000.

"In another state a teacher used to make $75 a month; now she makes $75 a week in a war industry plant."

The draft likewise is taking its toll among pedagogical ranks, the report said. In Michigan between 70 and 80 per cent of rural teachers are 35 years of age or under—"the age group most sought by war needs"—and by way of contrast Marsh set forth that in Michigan cities of over 2,500 population, only 48 per cent of the teachers are within the war age grouping.

As additional factors Marsh listed a "lack of suitable housing' unsatisfactory living conditions, increased living costs, the migration of rural teachers to larger school systems, transportation difficulties growing out of the shortage of rubber and the rationing of motor vehicles and gasoline, and the social prestige attached to active war duty."

To meet the situation, the educators recommended:

An organized effort to present rural teaching as an "essential and crucial" type of wartime service;

Licensing of emergency teachers for one-year periods;

Recalling former teachers; removal of legal bans against married persons, residence requirements and similar restrictions; and a liberal attitude toward shifts from one field of teaching to another—that is, from elementary to high school or to other subjects.

Also recommended was a vigorous program of learning-while-teaching, especially for the emergency teachers. Examples of work in Missouri and Oklahoma, where a field course instructor spends his full time in working with rural teachers of three or four counties, were cited.

Intimately linked with the teacher shortage is the problem of failing revenues, the report asserted, pointing out that in general about 70 per cent of rural school revenues come from local property taxes.

A higher tax rate, even if it required legislative approval, was urged to offset losses occasioned by governmental take-overs of former tax-paying properties as well as the shrinkage expected in gasoline revenue contingent upon rationing.

The report admitted that considerable new taxable construction had taken place, most of which was assessed for the first time during 1942, but said most of this was in urban areas.

"Though the farm population," Marsh wrote, "is nearly 23 per cent of the total population, farm income is about 10 per cent of the total (national) income."

Marsh urged that "the federal government should adopt a policy of extending financial aid for education to states in proportion to their needs because in many areas there will be no other means by which schools may be supported."

Turning to post-war planning, the report set forth that while there was a great deal of consideration of the problems of peace, "the planning, however, seems to be concerned mainly with urban problems. There is too little concern with the post-war problems of rural life and more specifically of rural education * * *

"Plans for rural school buildings should fit into plans for strengthening the whole education program. * * *"

Then Marsh went on to say that groups already were working in the field, listing Jefferson county, Alabama, were representatives of all public agencies in the county compose an education planning board; the State Educational Planning Board in Kentucky; and the Illinois Public Works Reserve Board.

A conference, to be sponsored by the American Council on Education, also was suggested. This would be designed to develop working relationships among interested groups, to explore the field, and to outline the scope of the problems, and finally to make concrete proposals for carrying its recommendations into operation.

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BRITISH CAPTURE IMPORTANT RIDGE

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Tunis but there was no official claim of such an advance, which would represent a sensational development in the muddy campaign.

The terse, official phrases of tonight's Allied communique told this gripping story of the action in the mud and cold of the holidays:

"Despite bad weather units of a British brigade of guards on Christmas eve attacked the summit of a hill occupied by the enemy northeast of Medjez-El-Bab (35 miles southwest of Tunis.)

"The action, strongly supported by artillery, was successful and the crest was captured in nearly all places.

"The enemy, after being reinforced, counterattacked six hours later.

"The enemy had some initial success but our forces then regained their positions except for the highest ridges.

"The same hill was the scene of further fighting on Christmas day.

"At dawn the enemy counterattacked strongly and we lost the crest of the hill.

"Then our troops carried out a successful counterattack and restored the situation."

The communique declared that the French forces at the lower end of the Tunisian front repulsed attacks on Pichon, 63 miles south of Medjez-El-Bab.

The Algiers radio broadcast the report of an Allied thrust to within 12 miles of Tunis but it gave no indication from what direction the Allies had struck; whether from the west against the main arc of Axis defenses before Tunis and Bizerte or from the south, where little previous action had been reported.

(The Algiers radio is controlled by the American occupation authorities and is used by them at times for transmission of original messages.)

German and Italian broadcasts gave no hint of such an important Allied advance nor reported any large-scale engagements in the swamped Tunisian area. The Germans said merely that they had "beat off enemy attacks" and had captured "strongly contested positions."

Continuing its relentless pursuit of Marshall Erwin Rommel's elusive Africa corps across Libya, the British eighth army had occupied Sirte, only 210 miles east of Tripoli, and was hacking steadily away at Rommel's rear guard.

Sirte, some 180 miles west of El Agheila, where the current phase of General Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's battle of annihilation began, was entered at noon on Christmas day, a Cairo communique said. Sirte has a small harbor useful for barges and launches and small craft, but poor facilities for larger vessels.

To have reached a point 12 miles west of Tunis the British first army and its American allies would have been forced to throw the Nazis out of their formidable emplacements outside Tebourba, 20 miles from the capital city, to have recaptured that hotly-contested point and to have swept on eastward another eight miles to Djedeida.

Such a major break-through for Lieutenant General Kenneth A. N. Anderson's forces, observers said, would almost certainly portend the immediate capture of Tunis and the rapid destruction of Axis troops defending their last foothold in northern Tunisia.

The only other action reported from the bogged-down ground forces in recent days had credited French units in central Tunisia with making minor gains in the Kairouan and Pon-Du-Fahs sectors. Bad weather curtailed aerial activity.

Occupation of Sirte yesterday revealed that Montgomery's eighth army, with all its difficulties of supply, its constant clashes with Rommel's rear guard and the tedious necessity of removing tens of thousands of miles left in its path, still had averaged over 16 miles per day since it crashed through the Germans' line at El Agheila on December 14.

In 11 days the pursuing British had covered 180 miles. Should they maintain a similar pace they would require only 13 more days to push the remnants of the Africa corps on past Tripoli and thus deprive Rommel of his last great port of supply.

British commentators said it was possible that advance elements of Montgomery's army had been around and beyond Sirte for some days past, but that the main body reached the town only yesterday.

There is no real port between Sirte and Tripoli, though there is accommodation for small vessels at Buerat, Misurata and Homs.

R. A. F. planes were said to have heavily damaged two laden enemy barges off the east coast of Tunisia yesterday.

THE SILENT TREATMENT

A man must not speak to his mother-in-law among the Yaruro Indians of Venezuela. They must sit facing opposite directions when in camp.

KNITTING LITTLE CHANGED

The knitting frame used in the manufacture of silk stockings in England is substantially the same today as when invented during the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

YOUNG ASSASSIN IS PUT TO DEATH

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had gained the valuable support of Darlan soon after the invasion of that continent last month, was in Algiers where French leaders were meeting.

In London the members of General Charles de Gaulle's Fighting French national committee were closeted in an all-day session to assess the political situation resulting from the assassination of Darlan, a man they frankly detested. Sources in close touch with the Fighting French believed this group was eager to end its political cleavage with the French north African group, particularly if General Giraud is named to succeed Darlan.

The identity of the 22-year-old gunman who, Reuters said, was executed early today still had not been disclosed for "military security" reasons, but it was said that he was of French nationality with an Italian mother living in Italy.

A French military tribunal handed down the death sentence late yesterday after the assassin confessed that he acted without accomplices.

The full story of the motives behind the slaying of the former Vichy official, who insisted that he was acting in the name of Marshal Petain when he decided to join the Allies in the fight against Germany, also was not yet known. But official statements in Algiers blamed pro-German elements for the killing.

Axis propagandists took the expected line—that Britain was responsible for the slaying in an effort to clear a path for the full allegiance of the Fighting French. Darlan was given a military funeral this morning in Algiers. The ceremony was attended by General Eisenhower and other prominent Allied military leaders as well as the French chiefs who later met to discuss a successor.

Among the latter group were General Auguste Nogues, governor of French Morocco, General Pierre Boisson, west African governor, Yves Chatel, governor of Algeria, and General Giraud, commander of French African troops.

Darlan's coffin was draped with the French flag in the cathedral ceremony. Madame Darlan sat in a pew facing the choir and over the nave hung the French, American and British flags.

Madame Darlan knelt beside her husband's body for a few moments, then walked up the center aisle lined with French sailors and took her place with a large crowd in the courtyard outside the cathedral. Her husband's body with a single sheaf of flowers laid on the coffin by Madame Darlan then was borne to the chapel mortuary amid the strains of the Marseillaise.

Algiers dispatches said the question of a successor to Darlan was the subject of constant discussion there in the search for a man who could bring together diverse French parties who are in the fight against the Axis.

General de Gaulle's group controls equatorial Africa and the Chad region of the continent while those forming the Imperial council under Darlan rule north and west Africa.

General Giraud was mentioned as a dominent figure in the negotiations now going on in Algiers, but the hero of two world wars who made dramatic escapes from German prison camps has said in the past that he wanted to lead troops into battle and leave politics to others.

The Franch national committee here behind locked doors began discussing the situation at 10 a.m. Lunch was sent in to the members who still were in session tonight.

Sources close to General de Gaulle said they believed a solution would be "very easy," and recalled that de Gaulle recently took the initiative in trying to reach a political and military agreement with the north African group by sending a personal emissary, Air Marshal d'Astier de la Vigerie, to north Africa.

A Fighting French spokesman, commenting for the first time on the assassination, deplored the action. Declaring "the judging of men who have taken the lead in political capitulation and collaboration with the enemy should be settled properly by the justice of a nation, and this should not be left to the initiative of any individual." Authoritative quarters in London asserted the aid of the United Nations in north Africa still was the same—successful support of all Frenchmen in the battle against the Axis.

GIRAUD FOILS AND INFURIATES GERMANS

(By Associated Press)

General Henri Honore Giraud is a fighting Frenchman of unmatched audacity with an eminently satisfactory record of foiling and infuriating the Germans, from the imperial regime of Kaiser Wilhelm to the time of Adolf Hitler.

But he is probably the least popularized of the great war heroes because of his own reticence and an expressed preference for military anonymity.

In telling of the two most notable instances when he outwitted the Germans he characteristically has spoken rather to discomfit and enrage the enemy than to exploit himself.

Lost in the pages of first World war history is the story of his first escape from German captivity, but his getaway from the supposedly impregnable Koenigstein Fortress in the present conflict and his subsequent escape by submarine and plane from Vichy France adequately illustrate his daring and fortitude.

Giraud was still fighting when the Germans captured him toward the end of the Third Republic in the Sedan area after he had lost contact with the French high command in May, 1940.

In Koenigstein he plotted and spun, and eventually slipped down the sheer prison wall on a 65-foot rope fashioned from threads smuggled to him in every letter he received from his wife.

At the end of the rope his plot almost came to naught, for a sentry challenged the tall, lean French general.

"Pretty cold, isn't it?" Giraud remarked in German, which he has learned well as a captive and as a one-time military commander of Metz, near the German frontier.

"Yes, sir," the surprised German said, and Giraud strolled away, whistling a convincing German air.

The Germans quickly sounded the alarm, but Giraud reached a nearby railway station, grabbed a strange young woman by the arm in a fatherly way, ushered her aboard a train and rode without incident to an Alsatian station near the Swiss frontier. He crossed to freedom in disguise.

Hitler was furious when Giraud got to Vichy, but the Petain government feared his enforced return to Germany would set off a revolt among the admiring—and snickering—French populace. At one stage of some rather ludicrous negotiations Giraud was said to have offered to go back to Koenigstein in a swap for 500,000 French soldier-prisoners, but he said a mere Hitlerian promise was not enough—they had to be delivered. He wouldn't trust a German taking an oath on Mein Kampf.

Then Giraud ostensibly retired to private life in the Lyon area, but some mysterious negotiations apparently were in the works all the while, for an American naval officer in a borrowed British submarine took him from the French coast to a rendezvous at sea with an Allied plane which plumped him into Allied headquarters for the start of the African occupation.

WILL BROADCAST RATIONING NEWS

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and vegetables might be placed under ration control.

OPA previously had announced that the new so-called universal ration book, or war ration book No. 2, would be placed in the hands of the public some time in January. Spokesmen have expressed the opinon unofficially that they could be printed and distributed by about January 20.

This book, now rolling off the presses in 18 cities, is designed to two or three ration programs simultaneously. Its coupons are numbered to permit the rationing of consumer items by the expenditure of an allotted number of points by each individual, rather than the simple coupon system in effect for sugar and coffee.

While the unit-coupon system works well for sugar, OPA has explained, it cannot be used for rationing foodstuffs that, like meat, are diversified. Using meat as an example, ration officials explained it would be impossible to divide the total supply on a per capita basis because there are too many kinds of meat, too many cuts of each type and too many grades of each type and cut.

Point rationing, on the other hand, provides an equitable share for everyone, and permits freedom of choice for the consumer.

Different commodities will have different point values. Still using meat as an example, a pound of one kind of meat might be valued at eight points, and a pound of another meat, still slightly more plentiful, might be valued at six points.

The government would determine the point value of each commodity on the basis of supply and demand; that is, a low point value would be assigned relatively plentiful items and a high point value to scarce items.

As supply or demand fluctuated, the point values could be changed correspondingly.

The stamps in the universal ration book are designated as worth eight, five, two or one points. By using combinations of these stamps, virtually any point value can be computed and the appropriate stamps turned in to the dealer when the purchase is made.

Besides the point value, each stamp is marked with a letter to indicate the period of time in which it may be used.

BODY OF BEATEN CHILD IS FOUND

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was 100 feet from the body. The girl's head had been crushed and her right arm was badly bruised.

Only a few minutes earlier a detail of detectives found two bloodstained dresses—one a child's, the other a woman's—in the girl's own bedroom at her home. The child's dress was torn and the bloodstains covered a wide area, Detective Lieutenant Stanley Schottel reported.

The girl's mother, Mrs. Evelyn Sellers, asked police aid when the girl disappeared.

Her coat and hat were recovered by police in the cafe. When found she was clothed in a blue sweater, red dress, stockings and shoes. Coroner Frank M. Coppock said she had been dead about 12 hours.

Detectives questioned the child's parents about the blood stained clothing in her room. Mrs. Sellers reported Helen did not attend school because of an illness requiring her to take medicine at regular intervals.

The girl's sister, Mrs. Marcella Luther, said a new ball and other presents for Helen still were under the Christmas tree in the Sellers home.

KIRKE L. SIMPSON

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men know that the Allied incursion into French Africa is an American, not a British affair. Even Berlin propagandists dared not point a finger of suspicion at Washington or the American military commander in French Africa over the assassination.

French public opinion everywhere, even Nazi collaborationist opinion, is fully aware that no American territorial or political ambitions nor anything but pure military expediency prompted the move on French colonial soil.

The naisy Nazi propagandists recognized the futility of trying to smear Washington with any connivance at the removal of Darlan.

The Nazi broadcasters are trying to make bricks without straw out of Darlan's death, hoping to foment French-British discord. They need something to talk about other than the situation in Russia.

There possibilities of a stupendous military disaster increase daily for Hitler and his armies in the bag which Moscow says is growing tighter about the Stalingrad salient. It's all but trapped Nazi garrison, by Berlin admission now is largely dependent on air transportation for supply.

Scrap Quilt In Two Pattern Pieces

by Alice Brooks

Like Joseph's Coat which gave it its name, this scrap quilt is done in multi-colored materials. It's such an easy one, for it takes but two pattern pieces to make it. Why not have a regular old-time "quilting bee"? Pattern 7419 contains accurate pattern pieces; diagram of block; instructions for making; yardages; diagram of quilt.

To obtain this pattern send eleven cents in coins to the Monroe Morning World, Household Arts Dept., 259 W. 14th Street, New York, N. Y. Write plainly name, address and pattern number.

CHRISTMAS DAY ATTACK IS MADE

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er planes every time they have been challenged to combat.

Rabaul, on New Britain island in the Bismarck Archipelago, is about 560 miles northwest of the Guadalcanal field. It lies at the end of an air line which passes over the Munda area of New Georgia island in the central Solomons.

There is a Japanese air base at Munda but a communique yesterday indicated that it had been put out of action at least temporarily by two heavy air attacks December 24.

These attacks, climaxing two weeks of raids in which many tons of bombs were dropped, apparently cleared the way for the assault on Rabaul. Informed opinion here was that future attacks on that base from Guadalcanal probably would have to be interspersed with actions directed at keeping Munda quiet.

Rabaul is Japan's most powerful base south of Truk, from which it is separated by about 1,000 miles of ocean. With air fields and excellent harbor facilities, it is the keystone of the enemy fortification system in the South Pacific islands and therefore the ultimate objective of American strategy aimed at clearning the Japs out of those islands.

Until the Christmas raid, Rabaul had been attacked only by bombers of General Douglas MacArthur's Australia command, which had Port Moresby, New Guinea, available as a refueling point. Port Moresby is about 420 miles southwest of Rabaul.

There was no disposition among naval authorities here to interpret the latest Rabaul raid as the start of an offensive which could result in an early amphibious attack on the base. These authorities inclined to the opinion that several of the supporting bases would have to be cleaned up or neutralized first—Lae and Salamaua in New Guinea and Munda and Buin (Bougainville island) in the Solomons, among others.

But it was emphasized that the development of a twin aerial campaign against Rabaul from Australia-New Guinea and from Guadalcanal, was a great forward move which would make it much more difficult for the Japs to maintain effective defenses, either at Rabaul or at any of its satellite bases.

BUYERS OF WAR BONDS GET 'HITLER'S GOAT'

GREAT FALLS, Mont.—People who can't resist getting Hitler's goat are contributing thousands of dollars to United States War Bond sales.

The idea originated with a bond committee chairman who got a goat, named Billy, and labeled him "Hitler's Goat." Then he placed him on auction at a bond rally. So many people wanted to get Hitler's goat the bidding was spirited and the bond sales high.

Since then the goat has been shipped through the state. Bidders buy him and then send him to the next town to be auctioned again.

Recently Billy sold for $50,000 at a Great Falls theater rally.

BOYS LEAD ELDERS IN HUNTING BIG GAME

CARLSBAD, N. M.—(AP)—A 13- and a 14-year-old boy were two of New Mexico's most successful big game hunters in the 1942 season.

Bob Rodolph, 13, dropped a 14-point buck at 150 yards on a hunting trip with his father and two friends. He was the only member of the party to bring in the meat.

Fourteen-year-old Ray Forehand brought down a four-point deer at 200 yards with a 30-30 rifle that he was using for the first time. He fired three shots and each bullet found the target.

BELIEVE TROOPS CANNOT ESCAPE

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kov, 150 miles beyond the railway.

One arm of this offensive wheeled southward to by-pass Millerovo and take Verkhnetarasov, about midway between Millerovo and Kamensk. East of the railway the villages of Krivorozhe and Yefremovsko-Stepanovsk were occupied. These two points are 18 and 24 miles southeast of Millerovo, so the latter point now is practically encircled.

The push southwest of Stalingrad, also aimed at Rostov and the trapping of the huge Nazi army stalled deep inside the Caucasus, was within 20 miles of Kotelnikovski, key railway point, after capturing Chilekovo. Seven other villages were taken in this forward surge after a 13-day series of Nazi counter-attacks was broken by the Russians in that sector.

The Russians said they gained from 9 to 12 miles yesterday in their continuing middle Don offensive that already has freed 812 populated places and retaken seven large railway stations.

Illustrating the demoralization of German troops in this area the Russians said the Red army captured 300 airplanes on Nazi airdromes and also seized a train carrying 50 more.

Since December 16 the communique said the Russians had captured the following: 351 planes, 178 tanks, 1,926 guns, 850 mortars, 370 machine guns, 690 anti-tank rifles, 56,000 rifles, 30,000,000 rifle cartridges, 1,500 motorcycles, 1,150 carts, 310 stores of ammunition and provisions, 920 railway cars, and 21 locomotives.

During the same period the Russians said they destroyed 117 planes, 172 tanks, and 268 guns in this single offensive spurt that has driven the Germans back from 90 to 124 miles in 11 days. This Soviet achievement was done despite chilling temperatures and lack of roads, the Russians said.

The offensive below Stalingrad toward Kotelnikovski gained from 6 to 12 miles yesterday, and if it continues the threat to the Germans in the middle Caucasus is bound to have repercussions. As if in anticipation of a possible German retreat there the Soviets also have begun to hit hard in that sector and are gaining ground in the area southeast of Nalchik.

Red Star recalled that the Germans had failed in all previous attempts to break out of a Russian ring around the 22 divisions trapped in the Don-Volga river pocket, and said:

"Now all German efforts to rescue the surrounded group by offensives from the outside, north of Kotelnikovski, have been blasted."

The Germans were reported using buried tanks in a vain attempt to arrest the Russian momentum. Red Star said the Nazis were retreating southward and southwestward toward Rostov leaving only small rearguard detachments to counter-attack from fortified positions.

In the Nalchik sector of the Caucasus where the latest offensive opened, Red Star said heavy rains and rough terrain were hampering the push. One unit was said to have crossed 30 streams before reaching its goal and advancing on. The Germans were said to be heavily fortified in this region along river banks and mountain slopes. Tanks were buried in the ground here too, and troops were reported moved from other Caucasus sectors to meet the drive.

The most advanced point taken was Belorenchenskaya, 30 miles southeast of Nalchik. The Rusisans said the heavily gunned town was beaten into subjection by artillery. Krasnodor, just to the southeast fell only after a long struggle during which the Russians penetrated the town from several sides.

The resurgent drive southwest of Stalingrad was reported bending the Germans back northeast of Kotelnikovski on the bitter-cold, wind-swept steppes which served as a major battlefield last summer. The Red army was said to be advancing along both sides of the railway from Stalingrad to the north Caucasus toward Kotelnikovski, an important rail junction, 90 miles from Stalingrad.

In the middle Don, the Russians announced the capture of a town and the destruction of a battalion of Nazi infantry. At another point, a Soviet detachment cut behind the retreating Germans and captured 560 prisoners and booty. Dead and capture alone in the 11 days of that drive approached 110,000.

"Several populated places" were captured overnight southeast of Nalchik, including a village "transformed by the Germans into a powerful defense center," the noon communique said.

On the central front opposite Moscow, the Russians said they shattered 16 dugouts and blockhouses west of Rzhev with artillery and repulsed counterattacks in the Velikie Luki sector.

The fighting inside Stalingrad was the most violent in weeks. The Russians reported the capture of one of the largest factories in the northern sector, the reduction of 19 blockhouses and 57 dugouts and the slaughter of 500 Germans.

(Admitting by implication their peril, the Germans' communique said transport planes were supplying the "various sectors of the front by day and night"—the first acknowledgement by Berlin that Russian offensive had so crippled land communications that the Nazis were forced to resort to less spacious air transport, costly in planes and precious aviation gasoline.

(The Germans claimed they had frustrated widespread Russian attacks, on the central front particularly at Velikie Luki, near Lake Ilmen. The Germans said they attacked west of Kaluga and northwest of Voronezh.)

The middle Don offensive was one of many directions, the chief of which appeared aimed at Rostov and Kharkov. Vanguards of the Red army were within 135 miles of Rostov at the mouth of the Don and the capture of that city would seal the fate of nearly 1,000,000 Germans in the Caucasus and before Stalingrad.

The troops pointed toward Kharkov were 18 miles southwest of Kantemirovka, railway town on the line to Moscow. The latest village to fall was Markova in the Ukraine. The great steel city was within 150 miles of the front.

Other Russians pointed at Rostov appeared to be moving on the Millerovo-Voroshilovgrad railway toward the rich industrial Donets basin. Millerovo itself was threatened on three sides. The capture of Grekove placed the Russians ten miles west of Millerovo.

Of the eight points captured in the region southwest of Stalingrad, seven lie to the north and northeast of Kotelnikovski on the west side of the railway while the eighth—"Zhutov Second"—is just northeast of the rail center on the east side of the track.

Seven German divisons supported by strong tank forces had been defeated there in an attempt to rescue the 22 German divisions surrounded in the Volga-Don sector before Stalingrad.

The latest offensive in the central Caucasus northeast of Nalchik maintained its pace of 15 to 18 miles a day. Six towns announced as captured at midnight were in a cluster on the west side of the Pyatigorsk-Ordzhonikidze highway.. The most advanced point was Belorechenskaya, about 30 miles southeast of Nalchik.

TO LEAVE CITY

JACK BOYER

Jack Boyer for the past few years manager of the Monroe Printing company, has resigned and accepted a position with the state with offices in the capitol annex in Baton Rouge. His duties will be those of a purchaser of printing supplies.

Mr. Boyer first came to Monroe in October, 1926, as foreman of the News-Star job printing department and on the death of Lynn Elliott, he succeeded the latter as manager.

During his residence in Monroe, Mr. Boyer has been active in civic enterprises. He has been a member of the Rotary dlub for 15 years. Belongs to the local American Legion post; identified with the Chamber of Commerce; and was for two years a member of the board of directors of the Boy Scouts.

He has a wide circle of friends here who are pleased at his advancement which will afford him a wider scope for activity.

STORM STRIKES IN MISSISSIPPI

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ious cuts on the head and the other child from shock.

Zeb McNair, negro brought from D'Lo, had a fractured arm.

Mrs. Peacock told her sister, Mrs. B. F. Robinson of Jackson, that the storm struck about 11 a. m., as she and the children were playing with Christmas toys.

"We just had time to look," she said. "It looked like black smoke. First it splintered the house down on top of us, then blew it away.

"I found myself out in a field. One of the children ran up and we found the other one unconscious."

There were high winds just south of Jackson about 1:15 p. m. today, but no reported serious damage or injuries.

FIRE DESTROYS FIVE BUILDIN

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owned the home, the house was occupied by George and Daisy Th son, and Stella Mae Sims, wif the accused negro. The fire qu spread up the alley to the 1300 of DeSiard street.

Other buildings destroyed were Cotton club, a negro night sp 1318 DeSiard street, owned by F Bruscato; a house at 105 Hipp alley, owned by Charles Eichel occupied by David Knolis, negro Twin City Tire company, one-fa stucco building at 1316 DeSiard owned by the Monroe Building Loan association; a two-story a ment building at 102 Hipp Marx a owned by Frank Bruscato and o pied by Joe Hill, negro.

Captain R. L. Frantom and Fir Dewey H. Mobley of the Monroe department were being treated a Francis sanitarium last night burns suffered in the blaze. were caught under a burning when it collapsed but were qu rescued by fellow fire fighters rushed to the sanitarium. They reported to be recovering sati torily.

It was the second time that Ca Frantom was the victim of b while fighting fire and the se time in the last fifteen years firemen were so seriously bu Captain Frantom, with Captain Dupree and Fireman W. J. Bryan latter now with the Minden fire partment, suffered severe burns rooming house blaze on Stone av on July 2, 1927.

Fire Chief Frank J. Roddy dec the fire was one of the most se blazes in the history of Monroe fighting from the standpoint of ger and intensity of the blaze. Marshal Smelser estimated the loss at about $30,000, with the company the heavy loser.

Other buildings damaged we duplex at 1233-35 DeSiard, owne Frank Bruscato and occupied by my Johnson and Allen Star, neg dwelling at 106 Hipp Marx, o and occupied by Henrietta Marx, gro; dwelling at 1237 DeSiard, o by Frank Bruscato and occupie Wilfred Grey, negro; two-story office and store at 1241 De street, owned and occupied by liam Medlock, negro; blacksmith at 1402 DeSiard, owned and ope by Charles Eichel; and building 1308 and 1312 DeSiard, owned occupied by Marion Foster, neg

The accused negro told invest ing officers he had set fire to house when his wife refused to re to St. Joseph with him. Sims he had lived on a farm at St. Jo nearly all his life but came to M roe a week ago after his wife had left him two weeks ago. A living here with her for a week said they had a "fuss" Friday when she refused to return to Joseph and that he left the h He said he went to the Liberty a negro night spot, left there aft few minutes and went to the Ha club, 104 Eleventh street, and a s time later returned to his hom 104 Hipp Marx alley. He said didn't go in the house, but got s paper out of a box, wadded it up lit it with a match. He said he tossed the burning paper under house and walked to the Cotton on DeSiard.

While the fire was raging Sims he joined the crowd and even as ed in removing furnishings from burning buildings. He said he "helping a blind man" when he taken into custody by officers.

Sims declared he had no reason setting the blaze and "don't k what made me do it."

Several thousand pounds of car back, a product used for recap tires, burned in the Twin City building.

Antique automobiles have been cued from the junk pile by the fol ing WPB ruling: "An old veh other than a carefully preserved tique, may be considered junk if of service or if it cannot be pu running order within 60 days."

XMAS WEEK - RADIO HIGHLIGH

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So you're a hard-boiled, unsentimental person, eh? Well, listen and see if this soul-stirring bit of Christmas tenderness doesn't get under your skin. Dick Foran, the Sons of the Pioneers help out . . . It's beautiful . . . little short of sublime. Just wait till you hear her say: "Good night, sonny."

TUNE IN STATION KMLB - 6:15 MONDA DEC. 2

SOUTHERN ALL-STARS BLAST NORTH, 24 TO 0

NKS SUBJECTED O WORST LOSS IN HISTORY OF EVENT

,000 Fans See 'Greatest' Dixie Team Win Fifth Game Of Series

ONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 26.—(AP) ey had no cavalry in Cramton l today—but a great team of hern all-stars revived the mili- tactics of a great cavalryman roundly beat its Yankee oppon- 24-0, before 16,000 fans in the annual Blue-Gray football game. ke General Nathan Bedford For- the Confederates got there test" (and oftenest) with the stest" men, punching over two hdowns in the first half and two he second to go one-up on the h in the five-year series.

ondy Black, the Mississippi State dster; Harvey Johnson, the ger from William & Mary; Lou mas, Tulane's ace; Monk Gafford Auburn and slender Casey Jones, on university's little All-America, ned behind a great Southern line d what they did to the Yankees the worst since the series start- back in 1938.

gainst the South's 13 first downs, North was able to gain only four, pite brilliant play of Holy Cross' nny Grigas, Pennsylvania's Bob ndage, and Xavier's Chet Mutryn. North threw a dozen passes be- completing one, and was credit- with only three successful over- ds for 27 yards in 19 attempts. The th completed 13 of 23 for 168 yards. the ground the Yankees were dly more effective, gaining only 45 ds to the South's 145.

'hat was the best Southern team has played in this series," said ch Lynn Waldorf of Northwestern, d coach of the North squad.

t was the greatest all-star team er saw," exclaimed his aide, Carl vely of Cornell.

quick kick by Monk Gafford, ch rolled dead on the Yankees' n early in the second quarter, ted the ball a rolling for the th. After losing the ball on the on a fumble, the South took again, driving from the Yanks' or the marker. Johnson cracked middle to score. Thomas' kick for extra point was wide.

homas set the stage for another hdown two minutes later with a ard return of an intercepted pass he North's 40. Shortly afterward mas broke away over guard from 27. Dartmouth's Ray Wolfe grab- him on the seven, but he yanked and went over standing up. Again omas' place kick was wide.

ones and Black sparked yet an- er drive of 64 yards in the third od, Jones pitching successive pegs Black and Walter McDonald of ane to set up the final jab from North's six. Black scooted off tackle on a reverse to kite the e to 18-0. Thomas' placement was cked.

ones' pass to Gafford from the 30 minated the South's final offen- e. Gafford took it right over the ddle of the line, and galloped 20 ds through a maze of would-be klers for the touchdown. John- tried the placement, but it was e.

Valdorf said John Bezemes of Holy ss suffered a dislocated shoulder the opening kickoff, and thus cut Yankee aerial effectiveness, but sted that the South would have n even had Bezemes played a full ne.

ineups:

th	Pos.	South
ezynski (Penn.)	LE	Alford (T. C. U.)
naldson (Penn.)	LT	Wood (Kentucky)
nke (N'western)	LG	Bucek (Tex. A. & M.)
kroy (Ohio St.)	C	Sossamon (S. Carolina)
lish (W. Va.)	RG	Ramsey (W. & M.)
sbrunner (Wisc.)	RT	Palmer (T. C. U.)
mgartner (Minn.)	RE	Comer (Tulane)
ams (Missouri)	QB	McDonald (Tulane)
emes (Holy Cross)	LH	Thomas (Tulane)
gas (Holy Cross)	RH	Muha (V. M. I.)
ndage (Penn.)	FB	Black (Miss. St.)

core by quarters:

rth	0	0	0	0—0
th	0	12	6	6—24

outh scoring: Touchdowns—John- (for Black); Thomas, Black, Gaf- d (for Thomas).

orth substitutions: Ends, Motl rthwestern), Nelson (Pennsyl- nia); tackles, Schoonover (Penn State), Fidler (Brown); guards, Weber (Syracuse), Pawlowski (Illinois); center, Jeff Davis (Missouri); backs, Mutryn (Xavier of Ohio), Doloway (Indiana), Wolfe (Dartmouth), Barrett (Georgetown).

South substitutions: Ends, Patterson (Mississippi State), Henderson (Texas A. & M.); tackles, Clyde Johnson (Kentucky), Preston (Wake Forest); guards, Minton (V. M. I.), Britt (Mississippi); center, Gatewood (Baylor); backs, Gafford (Auburn), Harvey Johnson (W. & M.), Proctor (Furman), Jones (Union university).

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Statistics of the fifth annual North-South football game today:

	North	South
First downs	4	13
Yards gained rushing (net)	45	145
Forward passes attempted	19	23
Forward passes completed	3	13
Yards by forward passing	27	168
Passes intercepted by	0	2
Runback intercepted passes	0	72
Punting average	31.6	31.8
Yards all kicks returned	135	91
Opponents fumbles recovered	1	0
Yards lost by penalties	10	0

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Tag Team Match Slated On Wednesday Wrestling Card

Curtis, Bozinas, Bridley And Parker Or Kopecky Named On Program

The feature event of the weekly wrestling program, again scheduled for Wednesday, will be a tag team match, according to an announcement by Promoter Gus Kallio who is returning four wrestlers here for an all-star card as his final show of 1942.

The quartet of grapplers will be composed of Jack Curtis, world's light heavyweight champion of Vicksburg, Miss.; Nick Bozinas, veteran Greek battler from Elmira, N. Y.; Bill Bridley, a newcomer to the southern wrestling circuit from Akron, Ohio; and either Joe Kopecky of Kopecky Town, Tex., or Allen "Sailor" Parker, the ex-Masked Shadow of Nashville, Tenn.

Promoter Kallio said Curtis, Bridley and Bozinas were already assured for the program, but it is undecided whether Parker or Kopecky will be the fourth man.

Parker, who lost a world's championship bout to Curtis here last week when he suffered a head injury in the second fall and was unable to appear for the final and deciding heat, was first engaged for the spot on the card, but Promoter Kallio said it was doubtful whether or not he would be able to wrestle so soon after the head injury he received. Kopecky, a lean Texas veteran, has already agreed to appear here if Parker is advised not to wrestle.

All wrestlers engaged are well known here except Bozinas and Bridley although the former has displayed his talents here once before. Bridley, entirely new in this section, is described as a "veteran at 23 years of age." Bridley has been wrestling for several years despite his comparative youth, Kallio declared, and is well versed in the ring arts.

It was pointed out that it might be a long time before four professional wrestlers would appear on another card at the same time here. Although Promoter Kallio will strive to get a four-man card as often as possible, it is remembered that transportation difficulties and the fact that many wrestlers without dependents have answered the call to arms, and it is becoming increasingly difficult to secure the services of competent grapplers.

Two 15-minute, one-fall bouts will go on preliminary to the main show with the visiting pros being paired against each other. Matches will be determined in the ring Wednesday night, Promoter Kallio said.

During recent weeks when Promoter Kallio was able to secure only two wrestlers each week the admission prices at Monroe Wrestling arena were reduced. But now that the usual full card is arranged again, prices will again revert to their previous level. Seats Wednesday night, all taxes paid, will be ringside at 75 cents, general adult admission at 50 cents, and students, servicemen and the colored fans at 25 cents.

AS EVANS GOES, SO WILL KANSAS

Stellar Football Passer Is Counted On To Spark Jayhawks To Title

LAWRENCE, Kas., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Ray Evans, hailed by students of the University of Kansas as the greatest natural athlete to hit the campus, has doffed his football togs in favor of lighter basketball clothes, and is expected to spark-plug the Jayhawks to another Big-Six championship.

The nation's leader in the number of completed passes during the football season, Ray is also rated as the finest defensive basketball guard in the conference. He is the most popular man on the squad, be it basketball, football or baseball. He recently was elected "Pep King" by the coeds, which is their way of saying he is the man of the campus.

Dr. Forrest C. (Phog) Allen, coach of the Crimson and Blue hoop squad, admits that he is counting on the popular football star to be the driving force behind Kansas' bid for the conference honors.

"Evans showed wonderful spirit and cooperation last year when we tied Oklahoma for the title," said Allen. "On a team dominated by a high-scoring front line, he averaged 10 points a game in his last six contests, 6.3 points for the season. If he gives us the same hustle this year, that he has been showing on the football field, we'll finish in the top three of the Big Six.

Kansas has the ability on the squad this season not to lose a single game, but Allen is being conservative. Oklahoma university, the co-champ, hasn't lost a regular, and also has an all-Big Six performer of two years ago, back to strengthen the squad.

"Phog" says: "It will be a two-team race with Oklahoma and Kansas fighting down to the last game. Missouri won't be far behind, and Iowa State will be the dark horse. Nebraska and Kansas State will fight it out for the cellar."

The highlight of the conference fight last year was the offensive barrage released by Kansas when the team averaged 52.1 points a game to set a new record.

Allen will be starting his 33rd season as basketball coach and his 26th at the university. In 32 years, he has won 553 games and lost 127 for an all-time victory percentage of .813. At Kansas, he has won or tied for the conference championship 18 out of the 25 years, winning 10 titles in the last 12 years. He has won 25 championships in his 32 years.

PEARL HARBOR VET PLAYED FOOTBALL TO FORGET WOUNDS

GOOSE CREEK, Tex., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Football builds them for the armed services; football builds them back up for the armed services.

Take the case of R. G. (Cotton) Milner.

Milner played his last game of the season the other day. But a year ago he was among the wounded at Pearl Harbor.

He was 16 years old when he stood at his post on the U. S. S. Arizona December 7, 1941, and took all the Japs had to offer.

Wounded about the head, young Milner was given an honorable discharge from the United States navy and a foreign service bar.

He returned to his classes at Robert E. Lee High school here at the start of the second semester.

He persuaded Coach Dan Stallworth to let him come out for the football team—thus he became probably the only World War II veteran in America in schoolboy gridiron ranks.

Stallworth at first would not permit Milner to play but when the team physician gave his O. K. the coach assented.

Milner played wingback and blocking back on the Robert E. Lee squad that won its district championship.

"Cotton might have been five years getting completely over his wounds had he not been able to plunge into the football season and get his mind off the horror that taxed every mental and physical process of a then 16-year-old youth," said Stallworth.

PSYCHOLOGY PROF TEACHING CAGERS

John Lawther Quits Classroom To Handle Penn State Basketball Team

STATE COLLEGE, Pa., Dec. 26.—(NEA)—Few basketball coaches can become professors of psychology, and fewer professors of psychology can become cage teachers, but John Lawther of Pennsylvania State college has undergone the transition three times very skillfully.

With a mind attuned to constructive thought and theory by formal education, Lawther has contributed materially to the game in 16 years of tutoring at Westminster college and Penn State. His success is witnessed by his record of 250 games won and 73 lost.

Although he owns a master of arts degree in educational psychology conferred at Columbia university, the scholarly proponent of the sliding zone defense would rather coach for the very sensible reason that it pays more money than teaching students about reactions.

A protege of Tuss McLaughry at Westminster, where he starred in all sports, Lawther did much to develop the sliding zone after his experience with the old man-for-man defense, and the orthodox zone as taught by Dr. Forrest C. Allen, the veteran Kansan.

Instead of playing floor areas expounded by Phog Allen, Lawther's Nittany Lions play that area in which there is an offensive threat. These areas change as the offensive threat changes with the movement of the ball, hence the term sliding zone.

As successful head of the education and psychology department at Westminister, Lawther decided to abandon coaching following the 1936 season, but was lured back to the fold by an attractive offer from Penn State.

Almost completely rebuilding his team last season, Lawther turned in his best job, losing only to Cornell and West Virginia in the first half and then winning 12 straight, including a 44-30 revenge victory over West Virginia's National Invitation tournament champions.

Penn State's Lions represented District No. 2 in the N. C. A. A. tourney in New Orleans, where the sharp Dartmouth team dropped them in the first game, but came back to trim Illinois, the Big Ten champion, in the consolation.

Lawther leans to tall boys, but gets the most out of what he has.

John Lawther is a learned man who turns out smart basketball teams.

ONLY ROSE BOWL, EAST-WEST TILTS EXPECT CAPACITY

Other Attendance Likely To Drop; Tulsa Finishes First Week

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—It'll be business as usual only at Pasadena and San Francisco on New Year's day when 12 hand-picked college football teams clash in the annual bowl games.

A check today showed the Rose Bowl at Pasadena and the East-West Shrine game at San Francisco, back home after being played on foreign gridirons a year ago, expect capacity crowds but the attendances at the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans, the Orange Bowl in Miami and the Cotton Bowl in Dallas figure to be considerable below those of last January 1. Sun Bowl officials at El Paso declined to estimate the probable attendance but the stadium capacity is around 15,000.

Here's how the teams will line up with probable attendance in brackets:

Rose Bowl—U. C. L. A. vs. Georgia (93,000).

Sugar Bowl—Tennessee vs. Tulsa (50,000).

Orange Bowl—Boston College vs. Alabama (30,000).

Cotton Bowl—Texas vs. Georgia Tech (25,000).

East-West—60,000.

Sun Bowl—Hardin Simmons vs. Second Air Force.

A year ago the Rose Bowl was played at Durham and drew a capacity crowd of 56,000 while in 1941 at Pasadena it pulled 90,000 through the turnstiles. The East-West game, transferred to New Orleans because of the war last January attracted only 35,000 but the attendance on January 1 is expected to rival that of 1941 when 62,000 saw the stars of the East and West battle at Kezar stadium.

Due, however, to restrictions on transportation, none of the other bowl games expect to match the figures of last January 1 when 73,000 saw the Sugar Bowl game, 38,000 packed the Cotton Bowl stadium and 35,505 turned out at Miami for the Orange Bowl encounter.

U. C. L. A., representing the Pacific Coast conference, and the unbeaten Second Air Force eleven are the only newcomers to bowl competition. Three of the teams—Alabama, Georgia and Tulsa—were competitors last January 1. 'Bama beat the Texas Aggies 29-21 at Dallas; Georgia turned back Texas Christian 40-26 at Miami and Tulsa whipped Texas Tech 6-0 in the Sun Bowl.

Within the last few years, Tennessee has appeared in every bowl except the Cotton and Sun while post-season competition is nothing new to either Boston College, Texas, Hardin Simmons or Georgia Tech.

TULSA FINISHES FIRST WEEK'S WORK

BAY ST. LOUIS, Miss., Dec. 26.—(AP)—The University of Tulsa football team finished its first week of training for the New Year's Sugar Bowl game with rising spirits and fine condition here today.

Glenn Dobbs and N. A. Keithley, tailbacks, starred in a brief offensive scrimmage following a long drill on defensive formations. Booming punts and swiftly-executed passes worked better against the "Tennessee Shockers" than in previous drills.

"We may not be rugged enough to stop the Tennessee power," Coach Henry Frnka said, "but we're going to be in condition. Tennessee probably has the most powerful running game in the country today and we have to be ready for it. That's why we're scrimmaging every day. So far we've been pretty lucky about injuries."

Dobbs is already in top form and only minor injuries to Jerry D'Arcy, center, and Bill Dost, fullback, have been reported. Both are mending well and will be ready for the game, barring recurrences. However, the latter two are not taking part in contact work now.

Sunday afternoon Brother Peter and Walter Gex will be sponsors for a three-hour boat trip up river Jordan for the Tulsa party. The North Star, yacht formerly owned by the Mayo Brothers, will be used for the trip. It is about 125 feet long and is said to accommodate 100 guests comfortably. There will be no fishing on this trip. Whether any work will be undertaken Sunday has not been decided.

STOP HURRICANE PASSES, WARNS BARNHILL

EDGEWATER PARK, Miss., Dec. 26.—(AP)—"Stop that Tulsa passing attack" was the keynote of the Tennessee Volunteers' workout here today as the team went through its first full speed scrimmage session which lasted for almost an hour.

Coach John Barnhill said after practice that his first team looked dull but the second team showed more pep and determination. He was far from satisfied with his team's defense against the Tulsa aerial attack and remarked that his Vols would have to improve tremendously in this department if they stop the Hurricane's passing game on New Year's day in the Sugar Bowl.

Junie Whittake, sophomore tailback, was the lad who impersonated Glenn Dobbs, Tulsa's forward passer and R. A. Long, another soph tailback, acted the part of N. A. Keithley, Hurricane back. These two Tennessee sophomores did a remarkable job of tossing forwards against the Vol first and second teams and the staff indicated that they would have to spend many more hours in preparing a defense for the aerial game.

Bill Meek, blocking back, has been kept out of the rough work due to an ankle injury sustained yesterday, and it will be sometime before the husky senior can get back in the line-up, according to Ike Hill, team trainer. If the player's injury fails to respond to treatment, it will be a severe blow to the Volunteers since the athlete's experience and ability is a valuable asset to the Tennessee attack, particularly since the blocking back is the most essential man in the Vol system.

GEORGIA SQUAD TAKES IT EASY

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 26.—(AP)—The Georgia squad got its mind off football today for the first time since its arrival last Monday for the New Year's Rose Bowl football game against U. C. L. A.

The players and coaches were luncheon guests at the Paramount studio. They were shown some of the tricks of picture making while actual scenes were in progress.

But this tour, eagerly awaited for days, wasn't made until Coach Wallace Butts had watched his men skip through a long workout. The entire morning was given over to the attack. There was no scrimmage. Frank Sinkwich, the star runner and passer, remained in his hotel room resting his injured ankles.

Sinkwich was able to accompany his fellow players to the movie studio, however. Trainer C. W. Jones said Fireball Frankie wouldn't attempt any practice until Monday, at the earliest.

Charlie Trippi worked in Sinkwich's tailback spot with Ken Keuper, 215-pound quarterback; Jack Rabbit Lamar Davis and Dick McPhee, fullback.

U. C. L. A. practiced in the afternoon. Most of the session was devoted to the offense. The Bruins have worked out their general plan of defense for the furious aerial assault they expect to encounter, for the next few days Coach Babe Horrel plans to stress the timing of plays.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—While only the proverbial bakers' dozen showed up for today's brief stock market session, these were mostly bullishly inclined, especially toward peace-rated favorites.

Plus marks of fractions to a point or more predominated at that opening and, in the majority of cases, these were retained when the closing gong sounded. Transfers for the two hours were around 300,000 shares.

Bonds and commodities were steady.

(FINAL QUOTATIONS)

Air Reduction	41¼
Allied Chemical & Dye	143
Allie Stores	6⅜
Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing	27
American Can	72⅞
American Car & Foundry	25¼
American & Foreign Power	2
American Locomotive	7⅝
American Power & Light	⅝
American Rolling Mills	10⅜
American Smelting & Refintery	37
American Sugar Refinery	19¾
American Tel & Tel	126
American Tobacco B	43¼
American Water Works	3⅜
Anaconda Copper	24⅞
Atchison T & S F	45⅞
Aviation Corporation	3⅜
Baltimore & Ohio	3⅛
Barnsdall Oil	12⅜
Bendix Aviation	34¼
Bethlehem Steel	55⅜
Boeing Airplane	15¼
Borden Company	22⅛
Bucyrus Erie	6⅛
Budd Manufacturing	3
Calumet & Hecla	6⅜
Canadian Pacific	6⅝
Case J I	76½
Celanese Corporation	27⅞
Cerro De Pasco	32½
Chesapeake & Ohio	[illegible]
Chrysler Corporation	[illegible]
Coca-Cola Company	[illegible]
Commercial Solvents	[illegible]

A few odd ... other sports here and ... of course, the bowl games . . . Don't let that January fool you; they're still part of the old season.

First Misses

Reversing our field with the assumption that all wrong picks of our own will be wiped out at midnight, December 31, this dept. hereby offers its selections for the bowl games.

Rose Bowl—Georgia over U. C. L. A. on information and belief that Pacific coast teams haven't been up to standard. And even if Frankie Sinkwich has a couple of bad ankles, he still can pitch strikes.

Sugar Bowl—Tulsa over Tennessee, going overboard on hints that Tulsa has more than just an air circus.

Orange Bowl—Boston College over Alabama. Our info is that 'Bama fell short of greatness for lack of a standout tailback but we still believe that B. C. team is great—not to say mad about that Holy Cross thing.

Cotton Bowl—Texas over Georgia Tech; Sun Bowl—Hardin-Simmons over the Second Air Force; East-West—The West . . . Guesses, that's all.

Today's Guest Star

Tommy Fitzgerald, Louisville Courier-Journal: "It has been proposed to divide the majors into an eastern and a western division to save rail travel. East is east and west is west whenever the trains don't meet."

One-Minute Sports Page

Brooklyn college has revised its eligibility rule as the result of the local basketball fuss, but now it can't find a suitable date to re-schedule the cancelled game with N. Y. U. . . . Mrs. Lela Hall, the champion woman trapshooter, has enlisted in the WAACS. . . . and Dorothy Traung, who used to be one of the longest drivers among the women golfers, now drives a five-ton truck for the marine corps ordnance dept. in San Francisco . . . The history of American racing, which the Jockey club began to compile 20 years ago, will be completed next year with the publication of John Hervey's "Racing in America." . . . Pete Reilly, the old silver fox who stays close to the featherweight championship situation, has taken an option from Manager Freddie Sommers to buy Cleo Shans' contract. The option is good until January 4.

Service Dept.

Former Middleweight Champion Fred Apostoli, somewhere at sea reports his rating is to be changed from specialist, first class, to boatswain's mate, first class . . . Also that he finds it harder to keep slamming shells into a gun than to slam padded fists into an opponent's puss . . . And when a new candidate approached Lieutenant Jack Gray, cage coach at the Corpus Christi naval air training center, and said: "Miller's the name, west coast all-conference." Gray just grinned and replied: "Glad to have you. Go over to the far basket—and change to a blue shirt; the All-Americans are wearing white shirts today."

PRO CHAMPIONS ... A ...

Stocks—steady; peace shares favored. Bonds—steady; few rails higher. Cotton—firm; trade price fixing and commission house buying.

CHICAGO: Wheat—higher; short covering. Corn—higher; weather conditions. Cattle—nominally steady. Hogs—steady; top $14.75.

COTTON

New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Cotton futures advanced here today on trade buying and expectations of favorable farm price legislation as congress reconvenes. Closing prices were steady 35 to 60 cents a bale higher.

	Open	High	Low	Close	
Jan.	19.11	....	....	19.17b	
March	19.21	19.31	19.21	19.30	up
May	19.14	19.22	19.14	19.21	up
July	19.09	19.17	19.09	19.16	up
Oct.	19.00	19.08	19.00	19.07b	
Dec.	19.03	19.09	19.03	19.09	up

b—Bid.

SPOT COTTON

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Spot cotton closed steady 35 cents a bale higher. Sales 203, low middling 16.45, middling 19.70, good middling 20.15. Receipts none, s...

... high ranking naval and military officials, are to participate in the pre-game pageantry.

Coach Ray Flaherty of the Redskins, who said several days ago the game is in "the nature of an anti-climax to the boys after beating the Bears," announced Steve Slivinski will start at his usual guard post. Slivinski was injured in the playoff against the Bears and will wear a specially designed mask to protect his face.

Bill Dudley, of the Pittsburgh Steelers, the league's leading ground gainer, will start for the All-Stars, but Coach "Hunt" Anderson made a last minute shift and decided not to start any of the Chicago Bears.

Probable starting lineups:

Washington	Pos.	All Stars
Ceigers	LE	Schwartz (Brooklyn)
Young	LT	Blozis (New York)
Slivinski	LG	Lio (Detroit)
Aldrich	C	Cherundolo (Pittsburgh)
Farman	RG	Conti (Philadelphia)
Wilkin	RT	Woudenberg (Pittsburgh)
Masterson	RE	Rucinski (Brooklyn)
Ray Hare	QB	Thompson (Philadelphia)
Baugh	LH	Dudley (Pittsburgh)
Justice	RH	Condit (Brooklyn)
Farkas	FB	Hopp (Detroit)

Kickoff, 2:05 p. m. (ewt.)

SINKWICH TOPS, BUT UCLANS REFUSE TO BELIEVE IN FIGURES

By Robert Mellace

PASADENA, Dec. 26.—(NEA)—Statistics indicate that Frankie Sinkwich alone is enough to assure Georgia victory over the University of California at Los Angeles in the classic Pasadena Rose Bowl, January 1.

The Jaw, as the Youngstown wonder boy is known at Athens, accounted for more yardage during the regular season than all U. C. L. A. players combined.

In racking up a new record, Sinkwich gained 2,187 yards rushing and passing. U. C. L. A.'s entire offense totalled 2,136.

Fortunately for supporters of the southern branch of the University of California, however, Babe Horrell and his Bruins do not believe in football figures.

This is a very good U. C. L. A. team, as it demonstrated against Santa Clara, Stanford, Washington and Southern California, but Georgia is enjoying the adventure that goes with a transcontinental trip to the Rose Bowl and is the choice of this writer and many football men.

More Than Sinkwich

Georgia has vastly more than Sinkwich. Charley Trippi, his sophomore understudy, for example, has helped the Bulldog cause to the extent of 1,239 yards. Wally Butts, wishing to take advantage of Trippi's talent, worked him at tailback with his illustrious mate at full. Such a combination might take the field in the Arroyo Seco.

Georgia's is a very orthodox single wingback team which can pass like blazes as it proved against Kentucky and in the final period of the Alabama thriller.

Wingback Lamar Davis leads the country in yards gained receiving passes, outruns the swiftest secondaries. End George Poschner is also a superlative pass-snagger.

Big Bob Waterfield is the Sinkwich of U. C. L. A., although he seldom carries. He blocks, passes, punts, calls plays. He is a remarkable defensive player, but will have his hands full in the combination of versatility which shakes Georgia backs loose.

U. C. L. A. has a break-away back in Al Solari and a line-cracking fullback in Ken Snelling.

The lines easily could be equal.

Strictly On The QT

Offensively, Waterfield operates at quarterback in the mysterious QT formation, which is nothing more than a single wing behind a balanced line with the quarterback under the center as in the T and the wingback parallel with the fullback and left half. Waterfield either handles the ball as do all T quarterbacks, or moves out to leave room for direct passes from center to the deeper backs.

Coach Horrell's variety of defenses from 5 to 8-man lines may confuse the Bulldogs temporarily, but the odds are that Georgia will get what it wants most in addition to more than $90,000 in cash—unanimous selection as the college team of the country.

CONNOLLY RETURNS TO B. C. PRACTICE

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 26.—(AP)—The Boston college Eagles were practically at full strength for the Orange Bowl clash with Alabama when Mickey Connolly, fullback, donned his uniform today for the first time since the Holy Cross game.

His return cheered Coach Denny Myers, who is building much of his strategy around the big plunger.

Only member of the squad now missing from practice is Johnny Killelea, halfback, who is recovering slowly from a cold.

Rocco Canale, regular guard, was back in uniform. He has recovered from a groin injury.

Three others on the injured list—Al Fiorentino, Vic Palladino and Bernie Lanoue—took part in today's brisk workout.

SOLDIERS TO GET BASEBALL GOODS

Service Men Throughout World To Benefit From Major Loop Order

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The major leagues are more than a trifle confused about their own plans, but they're going to see that the nation's service men don't have any trouble getting started playing ball as early as they wish next spring.

Orders for 3,000 dozen baseballs, 9,000 bats and 400 catching outfits are ready to be mailed to five manufacturers soon after the first of the new year, it was disclosed today by Ford Frick, president of the National league, and this equipment is expected to be ready to ship to soldiers, sailors and marines all over the world in late February and early March.

Frick, who with President Clark Griffith of the Washington Senators, administers the "baseball equipment fund" set up to provide paraphernalia of the national pastime to the armed forces, said he hoped to have approximately $200,000 to spend in this manner in 1943.

During the past season the major and minor leagues raised $133,359 for this purpose, but $42,543 of the fund was not expended because its share of the proceeds from the Cleveland All-Star game was not made available until late. As a result this balance along with $25,000 contributed by the National and American leagues and Commissioner K. M. Landis at their meeting in Chicago this month is on hand to give the service men an early start on next season.

OHIO QUAIL SING WITHOUT FEAR FOR WAR'S DURATION

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 26.—(AP)—At least one Buckeye bird—the quail—may sing merrily and unmolested for the duration.

The League of Ohio Sportsmen announced it was abandoning its perennial efforts to have the Ohio legislature classify the quail as a game bird. The quail now is listed as a song bird, legally safe from hunters' guns.

The League said its decision was based on the belief that all activity of the coming legislature should be directed toward winning the war.

FULL SPORTS PROGRAM FOR U. S. COAST GUARD

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Besides having one of the toughest Commando training courses ever devised, the U. S. coast guard academy gives its cadets a full program of sports competition. The academy is represented by teams in football, basketball, boxing, cross-country, pistols, rifles, soccer, swimming, tennis and yachting. Because of early graduations, even in peacetime, baseball has been found impracticable, though it was tried for a couple of seasons in the middle 1930's.

SCHUMACHER JOINS UP

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Harold H. (Prince Hal) Schumacher, 32-year-old right handed hurler of the New York Giants today was sworn into the United States naval reserve as a lieutenant (j. g.) and ordered to duty January 7 at an undisclosed post.

HARDEST TO HANDLE

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 26.—(NEA)—Frankie Sinkwich of Georgia rates Merle Hapes, former Mississippi back who spent the past season with the New York Giants, the most difficult man he has had to tackle.

Passenger car transportation last year was six times all other methods, with railroads running a weak second.

ECUADOR NET ACE STEALS SHOW IN TENNIS TOURNEY

Segura Paces Sugar Bowl Event As Schroeder's Appearance Delayed

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Ted Schroeder, top-seeded in the Sugar Bowl tennis tournament, wasn't here for his first-round match with Jim Evert today and stocky second-seeded Francisco Segura of Ecuador stole the show.

Ensign Schroeder, national intercollegiate and amateur champion and defending Sugar Bowl king, has a job ahead of him when his plane arrives from New York tomorrow. If he gets by Evert he must tackle Earl Bartlett, Jr., of Tulane and team with Bill Rafferty in the doubles for possibly two matches.

Segura, whom Schroeder bumped in the final here a year ago, completely bewildered lanky Glen Gardner today.

Gardner was able to salvage but one game in two sets as Segura won 6-1, 6-0, stabbing a stream of two-handed shots past Gardner, changing pace with a soft chop that seemed to drip off the net.

The closest thing to an upset came when third-seeded Bill Talbert of Cincinnati was extended to three sets in beating Jack Tuero of Memphis, southern singles and doubles champion.

Talbert won 3-6, 10-8, 6-4, but in the second set his 16-year-old opponent had three chances for match point and flubbed them, Talbert breaking Tuero's service to stay in the game.

Bartlett, Jr., playing his fifth Sugar Bowl tournament, slammed by Walter Driver of El Paso in straight sets, 6-4, 6-0. The Tulanian's net game and deep backhand shots were the edge, but he looked less sharp than in 1942 when Segura stopped him in the semi-final.

Bespectacled Ted Backe of the University of Pennsylvania, outlasted George Lyttleton Rogers, former Irish Davis cupper, 0-6, 11-9, 6-3.

Other singles results:

George Pryor, Pittsburgh, defeated Charles Mattman, New York, 6-3, 6-1; Roy Bartlett, Tulane, downed Bill Rafferty, Washington, D. C. 6-3, 6-1 (Rafferty substituted for fourth-seeded Jack Kramer whose plane was forced down en route from the west coast); Jack Cunningham, Pensacola Naval Training station, defeated Dick Hainline of Rock Island, Ill., 7-5, 6-4.

Segura remained hot in the doubles, teaming with Hainline for a straight-sets win over Roy Bartlett and Backe, 6-1, 6-1.

Earl Bartlett, Jr., and Tuero defeated Pryor and Rogers, 5-7, 6-1, 6-4 and the Talbert-Mattman combination edged Gardner and Driver, 6-8, 6-0, 10-8.

Schroeder, who was unable to make travel connections out of New York, telephoned the Sugar Bowlers he would be here Sunday. He and Rafferty meet Cushingham and Chicago's Jim Evert in the doubles and if successful, go against Bartlett, Jr., and Tuero the same day in order to complete the second round and catch up with the field.

BUCS' VINCE DIMAGGIO WAS BEST OUTFIELDER

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates' championship of Vince DiMaggio as an outfielder is more than supported by official fielding records. Although he stood tenth among those who played 100 or more games, with an average of .978, DiMaggio led the league in double plays with 5, assists with 20, in putouts with 383 and total chances with 412.

By comparison, Danny Litwhiler of Philadelphia, first in National league history to finish with a perfect fielding average, had only 317 total chances in 151 games to DiMaggio's 138.

BASKETBALL SCORES

Oregon State 45; City College of New York 34.

Kansas university 53; St. Bonaventure 22.

Wyoming 56; La Salle 32.

De Paul 49; Toledo 40.

NEGROES IN BOWL

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Two of the nation's top negro football teams, Southern university of Baton Rouge, La., and North Carolina A. & M. of Greensboro, will meet in the second annual Flower Bowl contest here on New Year's day.

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YOU LIKE IT—IT LIKES YOU

'The Palm Beach Story' Opens At Paramount Tuesday

Above is a scene from the action drama direct from the action fronts, "Flying Fortress," a story filmed in shell slashed battle skies, features the return to the screen of Richard Greene and beautiful Carla Lehmann. Showing today and Monday at the Paramount.

Gary Cooper with beautiful Madeline Carroll have the leading role in the gripping drama, laid in modern war-torn China, "The General Died at Dawn." Akin Tamiroff is cast as the ruthless general. Showing at the Capitol Tuesday.

Loretta Young and Brian Aherne come to the Paramount screen Friday and Saturday in the fast moving mystery comedy "A Night to Remember."

DOKEYS ARE TO HAVE BANQUET

Colonel Thornhill Will Be Guest Speaker At Event On Tuesday

El Miro temple No. 187, Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorrassen, will have a banquet at the castle hall, Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Lieutenant Colonel Bridger C. Thornhill, stationed at the United States Army Navagation school in Monroe, in civilian life a prominent attorney here, and whose father is also a highly regarded member in Columbia, La., will deliver an address immediately following the banquet. He will be introduced by Judge Vinson Mouser, of Columbia, another prominent member.

There will be a ceremonial conducted and already 33 candidates are signed up in the aim to have a class of fully 50. The present membership of the order of Khorrassen is 112.

All Pythians are invited to attend this banquet states J. Norman Coon, Royal Vizier of El Miro temple.

Stonewall lodge has today more than 50 members in the armed service, who are performing a loyal service for their country. They are as follows:

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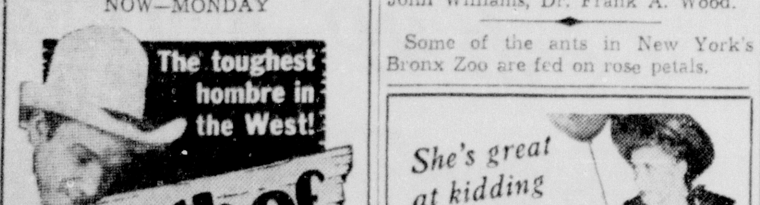
Some of the ants in New York's Bronx Zoo are fed on rose petals.



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d gained the valuable support of rlan soon after the invasion of that tinent last month, was in Algiers ere French leaders were meeting. London the members of General rles de Gaulle's Fighting French onal committee were closeted in an lay session to assess the political ition resulting from the assassina- of Darlan, a man they frankly sted. Sources in close touch with Fighting French believed this p was eager to end its political rage with the French north Afri- group, particularly if General d is named to succeed Darlan.

identity of the 22-year-old gun- who, Reuters said, was executed today still had not been dis- l for "military security" reasons, was said that he was of French onality with an Italian mother liv- in Italy.

French military tribunal handed n the death sentence late yester- after the assassin confessed that cted without accomplices.

he full story of the motives behind slaying of the former Vichy of- l, who insisted that he was acting he name of Marshal Petain when decided to join the Allies in the against Germany, also was not known. But official statements in rs blamed pro-German elements killing.

to Vichy, but the Petain government feared his enforced return to Germany would set off a revolt among the admiring--and snickering—French populace. At one stage of some rather ludicrous negotiations Giraud was said to have offered to go back to Koenigstein in a swap for 500,000 French soldier-prisoners, but he said a mere Hitlerian promise was not enough—they had to be delivered. He wouldn't trust a German taking an oath on Mein Kampf.

Then Giraud ostensibly retired to private life in the Lyon area, but some mysterious negotiations apparently were in the works all the while, for an American naval officer in a borrowed British submarine took him from the French coast to a rendezvous at sea with an Allied plane which plumped him into Allied headquarters for the start of the African occupation.

WILL BROADCAST RATIONING NEWS

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and vegetables might be placed under ration control.

OPA previously had announced that the new so-called universal ration ar ration book No. 2, would hands of the public

Brian Donlevy, the blonde ex- citing leading man, Allan Ladd, are starred Glass Key" showing at the Capitol Wednesday

"The Undying Monster" stalks a beautiful girl through a night of hideous horror. John Howard and Heather Angel supply the romantic interest. This thriller comes to the Capitol Saturday for one day only.

Errol Flynn and Alexis Smith are co-starred in the Paramount's screen attraction, "Gentleman Jim," for the New Year's eve midnight show. In the supporting cast are Jack Carson and Alan Hale.

This Week's Movie Program

AT THE PARAMOUNT

TODAY AND MONDAY—Richard Greene and Carla Lehmann in "Flying Fortress," with Sydney King, Basil Radford, Joss Amber and Donald Stewart.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY—Claudette Colbert and Joel McCrea in "The Palm Beach Story," with Mary Astor, Rudy Vallee, William Demarest, Franklin Pangborn and Robert Dudley.

THURSDAY MIDNIGHT SHOW—Errol Flynn and Alexis Smith in "Gentleman Jim," with Jack Carson, Alan Hale, John Loder, William Frawley, Minor Watson and Ward Bond.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY—Loretta Young and Brian Aherne in "A Night to Remember," with Jeff Donnell, William Wright, Sidney Toler, Gale Sondergaard and Donald MacBride.

AT THE CAPITOL

TODAY AND MONDAY—Ginger Rogers, Charles Boyer, Henry Fonda, Rita Hayworth, Charles Laughton and Edward G. Robinson in "Tales of Manhattan," with Cesar Romero, George Sanders and Eugene Pallette.

TUESDAY—Gary Cooper and Madeleine Carroll in "The General Died at Dawn," with Akim Tamiroff, Dudley Digges, Porter Hall and William Frawley.

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY—Veronica Lake, Brian Donlevy and Alan Ladd in "The Glass Key," with William Bendix, Bonita Granville, Richard Denning and Joseph Calloia.

FRIDAY—"Secrets of a Co-ed," with Otto Kruger and Tina Thayer.

SATURDAY—"Undying Monster," with John Howard and Heather Angel.

AT THE JOY

TODAY AND MONDAY—Maureen O'Hara and Louis Hayward in "Dance Girl, Dance." Second feature, Roy Rogers and "Gabby" Hayes in "South of Santa Fe."

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY—Franchot Tone and Carol Bruce in "This Woman is Mine." Second feature, Anton Walbrook in "Suicide Squadron."

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY—"Isle of Destiny." Second feature, "Prairie Pass" and Dick Foran in "Winners of the West."

AT THE DELTA

TODAY—Judy Canova and Francis Lederer in "Puddin' Head."

MONDAY AND TUESDAY—Spencer Tracy and Hedy Lamarr in "Tortilla Flat." Second feature, Lupe Velez in "Honolulu Lu."

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY—Dick Powell and Ellen Drew in "Xmas in July." Second feature, Virginia Bruce in "Careful, Soft Shoulders."

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY—Anna May Wong in "Lady from Chungking." Second feature, Tim Holt in "Pirates of Prairie."

LOCAL MEN PROMOTED

Word has just been received here of the promotion of two men from this area to the rank of staff sergeant in the army. Dalton Veatch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merling Veatch, Monroe, received his promotion at MacDill Field, Fla., where he is assigned as chief file clerk. Tommy Woods, son of Mrs. Theresa Woods, Downsville, was rated staff sergeant at Will Rogers Field, Okla.

With the greatest collection of stars ever assembled in one picture, "Tales of Manhattan" opens a two-day engagement at the Capitol starting today. Charles Boyer, Rita Hayworth, Cesar Romero, Henry Fonda, Ginger Rogers are only a few of the outstanding screen personalities in this exciting motion picture of the year.

'Tales Of Manhattan' At Capitol

Many Stars Featured In Cast Of Outstanding Picture Today

THREE years ago those two indefatigable gentlemen, Boris Morros and S. P. Eagle, conceived an idea for a screenplay that would cut the very heart out of old New York and lay it before America's moviegoers to behold in all of its reckless adventure, hilarious humor, and palpitating romance—indeed, in all of the fabulous facets of its dramatic existence.

The story, to be sure, was a natural, but it would require a cast of stars unprecedented in the history of motion pictures and a staff of writers specializing in every human emotion from humor to pathos. What studio, then, would dare to gamble on such a vast and expensive undertaking? Hence, scoffers scoffed and hecklers snickered. But Morros and Eagle, being indefatigable, were not dismayed.

They persevered and 20th Century-Fox dared to gamble. The result, "Tales of Manhattan" it's called, debuts locally at the Capitol theater today, just as its producers originally conceived it. The film has been hailed by no less an authority than Walter Winchell as "one of the greatest films I've ever seen!" And it has been acclaimed with equal enthusiasm wherever it has played. And no wonder! Imagine all of the stars in one picture: Charles Boyer, Rita Hayworth, Ginger Rogers, Henry Fonda, Charles Laughton, Edward G. Robinson, Paul Robeson, Ethel Waters and "Rochester." But don't go yet, brother!

There's Thomas Mitchell, too, and Eugene Pallette, Cesar Romero, Gail Patrick, the celebrated Hall Johnson choir, Roland Young, Elsa Lanchester, George Sanders, James Gleason and many, many more. Who, you ask, could possibly have created a story big enough for so great a galaxy of stars?

To match the brilliance of these stars, the finest writers in Hollywood fashioned the story. It takes you from a tenement to a penthouse . . . from Park avenue to Hell's Kitchen. A story blending drama, comedy, music, romance and stirring action in a big-time show, it is so conceived that every sequence of the entire film rings true.

FIGHTING MEN HELP IN BOND PURCHASES

CAMP POLK, La., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Fighting men of the 7th armored division, commanded by Major General Lindsay McD. Silvester, are giving Uncle Sam a huge Christmas present by purchasing $90,000 in war bonds to help finance their fight against the Axis.

The avalanche of American dollars began rolling shortly after March 1, when the division was activated, and continues to mount for the men through the war department allotment plan which permits them to purchase war bonds in small allotments from their monthly pay checks. Two-thirds of the men in the division have voluntarily subscribed.

LIEUTENANT GARRETT IS AT MIAMI BEACH

First Lieutenant James A. Garrett, former teacher at Bonita High school, has reported to the Army Air Forces Officer Training school at Miami, Fla., and is being trained to direct administrative and supply operations of the ground forces.

In the six-week course of instruction, Lieutenant Garrett will be prepared to take over executive duties in air force maintenance and relieve air forces pilot ofifcers of non-flying duties that have kept them grounded.

As a civilian, Lieutenant Garrett lived at Bonita. His wife, Mrs. Frances R. Garrett, lives at 310 East Pine street, Prescott, Ark.

Colbert And McCrea Top Film's Cast

Rudy Vallee And Mary Astor Also Starred In Hilarious Hit

A TALE of love with the accent on laughs is headed this way, due to arrive next Tuesday at the Paramount theater. It's Paramount's hilarious Preston Sturges picture, "The Palm Beach Story," co-starring Claudette Colbert and Joel McCrea, with Rudy Vallee and Mary Astor.

Preston Sturges, writer-director extraordinary, is responsible for this new funfilm and with his past record of "Sullivan's Travels," "The Lady Eve," "Christmas in July" and "The Great McGuinty," the movie public can rest assured that something highly original and diverting is in the offing.

In "The Palm Beach Story" Sturges takes the plight of a young couple married five years with nary a penny to its name and develops a riotously funny plot hinged on the fact that the wife, Claudette Colbert, decides she can do more for husband Joel McCrea if she's divorced from him. To acquire the divorce she heads for Palm Beach with nothing to go on but sheer nerve. En route she picks up a little thing like the richest young man in the world, played by Rudy Vallee, plus a wardrobe worth several thousand dollars.

But hubby McCrea doesn't take her walk-out lying down. He's waiting for her in Palm Beach when she arrives aboard Vallee's yacht. How he got the money for plane fare is just one of the many hilarious chapters in "The Palm Beach Story." At any rate, there he is ready to cramp Claudette's style, but she won't let him. She introduces him to Vallee as her brother.

From that point on the triangle is said to out-Sturges Sturges as far as out-of-the-ordinary, slapstick comedy is concerned. There's a side-splitting Pullman sequence in which Miss Colbert is reported to surpass her extremely funny "seasick" routine in "Skylark," plus a great many bits of Preston Sturges who admits he writes for laughs. If his past successes are any criterion, he gets them.

While Vallee gets a chance to sing an old number in "The Palm Beach Story," his characterization is straight comedy. As the too-rich young man who is shy of women, he creates a personality to remember. So successful is his performance said to be that Paramount has cast him in a new film.

RED CROSS GAIN LARGE IN STATE

Activities Of Chapters In Louisiana Show Ten-Fold Increase

ALEXANDRIA, La., Dec. 27.—(AP)—A ten-fold increase in activities of Red Cross chapters in Louisiana during the first year of the war, was revealed in a statement by William Carl Hunt, manager of the eastern area, American Red Cross.

In addition to Red Cross service to fighting men in 26 military establishments in Louisiana, 13,852 servicemen or their families received aid from the home service departments of chapters in the state since December 7, 1941. Nationally, more than 2,000,000 men in the armed forces have received help this year from the Red Cross in solving their personal problems.

Services to our men in uniform are not confined to continental United States, the manager pointed out. As the only non-military organization authorized by the war department to accompany the armed forces outside American territory, Red Cross staffs are working with the men in North Africa, the Solomons, Australia, New Guinea, England, Iceland, the Middle-East and wherever our troops have gone.

Volunteers 65,000 strong are serving in Louisiana chapters. These chapter volunteers produced 3,940,585 surgical dressings at the request of the army and navy and provided 512,712 garments for soldiers and for foreign war relief. Thousands of kit bags for men overseas also are being made by Louisiana chapters.

Another noteworthy Red Cross accomplishment in Louisiana, Hunt said, was the training of nearly 65,000 persons in first aid.

Largely due to the emergency needs of soldiers and disaster sufferers, Red Cross canteen workers served 44,697 meals in this period compared with 3,941 for the preceding year.

In the field of health 500,000 women were trained in Red Cross home nursing during 1942 and of these 7,887 in Louisiana.

Four hundred and three trained nurse's aides are serving daily in 43 Louisiana hospitals.

Louisiana Red Cross chapters enrolled a membership of 120,637 in 1941. For the roll call completed in the week war was declared, Louisiana chapters enrolled a total membership of 206,364. This represented an increase of more than 85,000 over the preceding year. This does not include 294,000 school children who are members of the American Junior Red Cross which carried on an extensive program of its own.

Rallying to the support of the Red Cross war fund which immediately followed out entry into the war, the people of Louisiana contributed $809,765.26 toward the national total of $70,000,000.

The traditional fall membership roll call was not held this November but will be combined with the Red Cross war fund appeal beginning March 1, 1943, Hunt said.

ARMS MAKING VALUED

Munitions production at the end of 1942 reached the rate of $3,500,000,000 a month, while machine tool making flowed at a rate of $130,000,000 a month.

"The Palm Beach Story" brings together Claudette Colbert and Joel McCrea, Marty Astor and Rudy Vallee. A tale of love, with the accent on laughs, will be shown at the Paramount for three days starting Tuesday.

INSTITUTIONS MARK HOLIDAY

Christmas Observed In Baptist Home And Training Institute

A joyful Christmas season was enjoyed by the two public institutions of Monroe, the Louisiana Baptist Children's home and the Louisiana Training institute.

At the children's home, there was a tree in each cottage loaded with a present for each of the boys and girls. On Christmas day, there was a beautiful dinner served. Chickens sufficient to supply the home were donated by R. S. Gayle, Tallulah businessman. Fruit and candy was provided by Joe Biedenharn, which is a policy that he has followed for many years, a box being received by each boy and girl.

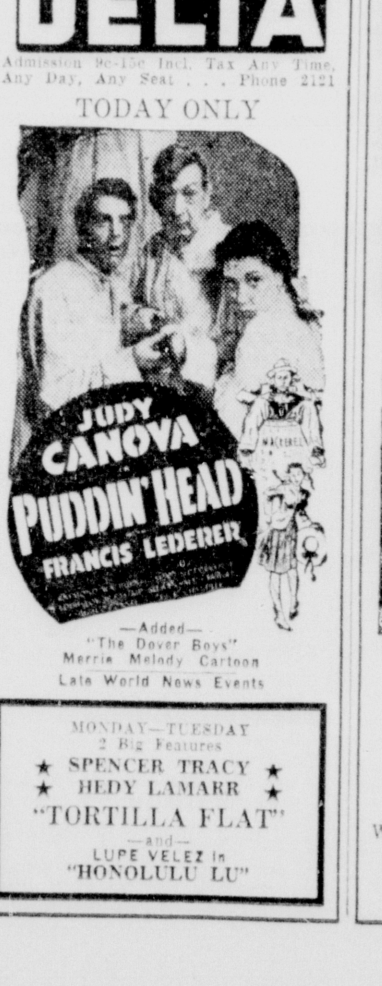
The home now has 119 boys and girls. In a short time, the so called "baby building" will be overhauled and about 12 more will be admitted. There are now 12 boys and girls of pre-school age and total capacity for this group is approximately 24, stated Superintendent T. W. Gayer.

At the Louisiana Training institute a Christmas tree and program was given. There were carols, band selections, and recitations. At the close, each boy received a present from the tree. A number of local people attended, inclusive of former Superintendent Charles Schulze.

A turkey dinner was served Christmas noon to the 82 boys of the institute, stated Superintendent Elmer Slagle.

The enrollment is extremely low and still more are likely to receive paroles in the near future, the superintendent said. There are only several boys in the 18-year class. These do not register for draft, but are registered at the intsitute when they are paroled.

A spot appearing on the face of the sun in 1932 was 22,000 miles in diameter, more than large enough to encircle the earth.



FAMILY SUFFERS LOSS BY B

R. W. (Bob) Funderburk, wh on the gravel pit road one an half miles west of the paper m his house, all the furniture a family's clothes on Tuesday wh suddenly destroyed all their sions.

Friends at 317 Trenton street Monroe, have taken the family their roof until they can get affairs adjusted.

The family is left destitute blaze. The father has been em at the airport but has had t up his job recently because serious illness of his wife whom had to nurse. There are four children in the family and their aside from what they wore w destroyed.

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Containing entrance hall. Large living room with open tile and brick fireplace and two beautiful crystal chandeliers. Delightfully comfortable sun parlor overlooking the garden. Dining room. Butlery. Kitchen and furnace room on first floor. Master bedroom with dressing room and private tile bath. Two large bedrooms with connecting tile bath. Large storage trunk and luggage room, cedar lined, and an abundance of linen closets on second floor. Hard wood floors, plastered walls, all doors and windows weather stripped. Central steam heating system.

Double garage with servants' toilet room and two yard tool rooms. Bedroom, tile bath, large storage room and two closets over garage. Beautifully landscaped lot 212 ft. front with beautiful lawn, flowers, shrubbery and trees.

A bargain priced at half its cost. Shown by appointment only. No information over the phone.

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THE BEST colored cafe and night spot in Monroe for rent beginning January 1, 1943. Phone 3213 or 461 after Sunday. 1-3-A

REAL ESTATE FOR RENT

72—Business Places

Several stores in 500 block DeSiard street.
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Twin City Motor Building, located on South Grand St.
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73—Farms & Land For Rent

4 SMALL FARMS for rent 5 miles east of Winnsboro, La. See B. I. Berry. Or H. C. Eckhardt. 200 Roselawn, Monroe. 12-27-A

77—Rooms With Board

MAKE YOURSELF at home at 1705 Jackson St. Room and board just like mothers. Mrs. L. A. Hicks. Phone 1703-J. 1-24-A

COLONIAL INN under new management. Comfortable rooms. Home cooked meals. Also extra meals. Mrs. R. H. Goza. 105 Pine. Phone 1143. 12-30-A

78—Rooms Without Board

603 LOUISVILLE. Furnished bedroom. Upstairs. Connecting bath. 12-27-A

LARGE FRONT BEDROOM. Private bath. Gentlemen or working couple. 418 Calypso. 1-3-A

LARGE FURNISHED BEDROOM for 2 people. 3 blocks from business district. 112 Oak. Phone 3383. 1-3-A

2 BEDROOMS with connecting baths. Private home. Preferably business women. References required. Walking distance to town. Box A-20 News-Star. 1-3-A

NICELY FURNISHED BEDROOM. Gentlemen. 206 Pine. Phone 648. 12-30-A

NICELY FURNISHED ROOM to couple. Private home. Private bath. Garage. References required. Phone 1209. Mrs. A. V. Miller. 12-31-A

BEDROOM: 1 block from DeSiard St. Couple or 2 men. 417 Washington. Phone 397. 12-27-A

83—Wanted To Rent

ARMY OFFICER and wife desire furnished 2 bedroom apartment or house for immediate occupancy. Phone 3170 Room 1016. 12-30-A

ARMY OFFICER AND WIFE desire furnished house or apartment on or before January 15. Phone 3550-M. 12-29-P

RELIABLE PARTY desires unfurnished apartment or house. Phone 5139-W. 1-3-A

WANTED TO RENT furnished house or apartment, private for army officer and wife. Phone 5469-W. 1-3-A

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

85—Farms & Land For Sale

448 Acres of Land

6 or 7 miles from city limits of Monroe on Monroe - Alexandria Highway. 270 acres in cultivation. Made 115 bales of cotton this year on 72 acres of land. Around 75 bushels of corn and 25 bushels of beans per acre. For quick sale $46 per acre.

E. W. CRUSE
302 Ouachita Bank Bldg.
Phone 5400

A SPLENDID FARM, located 5½ miles northwest of town. 130 acres more or less, 66 acres in cultivation, 8 acres in hog pasture. 200 paper shell pecan trees, 15 to 18 years old: (Varieties) Mahasas, Schley Money Makers, Success and Stuarts. 5 head of stock and farm implements, corn, beans and hay. All at reasonable prices. Come and see. H. H. Battle, Newellton, La. 1-3-A

RICH DELTA LAND
PRICED TO SELL!
25 to 50 acre farms on main highway Myrtle Grove Plantation adjoining north line Waterproof, Tensas parish. One tract 800 acres (200 acres in cultivation) at extremely low figure to wind up sale of entire tract. Small cash payment, balance 15 years. Lake St. John oil field about 7 miles south. ½ oil and minerals reserved. For plat and prices write, Louis B. Trenchard, 1113 Whitney Bldg., New Orleans, or see W. F. Long, Waterproof, Louisiana. 1-31-A

88 ACRES LAND and 2 houses. 60 acres in cultivation. 10 miles below Columbia, La. Fronts ½ mile on Ouachita river. For quick sale $2,500. Phone 5400. 12-27-A

ONE 4-ROOM HOUSE and one 3 room; and 114 acres of land. 30 acres in cultivation. Located 1½ miles east of Bosco, La on gravel road. For quick sale $2,750. E. W. Cruse, 302 Ouachita Bank Building Phone 5400. 12-30-A

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

85—Farms & Land For Sale

5, 2-ROOM HOUSES 1½ acres of land. About 3 years old. Located on Winnsboro Rd Lights and gas. For quick sale. $2,700. Phone 5400. 1-3-A

40 ACRES LAND and 5-room house 1½ miles off Shreveport highway on Farmerville road. For quick sale $1,290. $300 down. Balance $25 per month. Phone 5400. 12-27-A

NEW 5-ROOM HOUSE near completion. 1 acre land on Winnsboro road. For quick sale, $1,400. Phone 5400. 1-3-A

40 ACRES LAND and 2 houses. 7 miles east of Kelly, La. For quick sale, $1,100. E. W. Cruse, 302 Ouachita Bank Bldg. Phone 5400. 1-3-A

86—Houses For Sale

5 ROOM HOUSE less than 4 years old. Lot 100x175 Well landscaped On N 10th McGuire addition, West Monroe F H A. financed. For quick sale $3,500. Phone 5400. 12-30-A

NICE 5-ROOM HOUSE and bath on South 2nd St. Price $3,700. Phone 5400. 12-27-A

NICE 5 room house and bath. F. H. A. financed 400 block Filhoil, West Monroe. For quick sale $3,500. Phone 5400. 12-27-A

NICE 5-ROOM HOUSE AND LARGE LOT. 1 BLOCK FROM BUS LINE. REASONABLE DOWN PAYMENT, BALANCE $20.50 PER MONTH. 315 N. 10TH, M'GUIRE ADDITION. OWNER LEAVING TOWN. E. W. CRUSE. PHONE 5400. 1-3-A

NICELY FURNISHED or unfurnished 5-room house, 501 Baker, Sherrouse addition.
LELA S. KING
206 Pine Phone 649 12-27-A

7-ROOM HOUSE, 3 bedrooms. Newly decorated. Glassed in porch, screened in side porch. Lot 75x150. 305 K St.
LELA S. KING
206 Pine Phone 649 12-30-A

10-ROOM HOUSE and 2 baths. Solid Cypress lumber. Corner lot 150x190 6th St. All paving paid Price $5,250 Phone 5400. 12-30-A

2-story, 4-bedroom home. Nice grounds with trees, flowers and shrubbery. Lot 75 feet wide by 150 feet deep. Fairview Addition.
H. L. Rosenhein, Realtor
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Several 2- and 3-bedroom homes on North Side. All city conveniences.
H. L. Rosenhein, Realtor
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5-room house. 617 St. John St., corner Bry. $3,500.
H. L. Rosenhein, Realtor
815 Ouachita Bank Bldg. Phone 1307 12-29-A

NICE 5-ROOM HOUSE 2 screened-in-porches Venetian blinds Asbestos siding and roofing Lot 60x195 On N 9th. McGuire addition, West Monroe Price $6,500. Phone 5400. 12-30-A

NICE 3 BEDROOM HOUSE Screen porches In good condition 1407 N 5th Can be seen by appointment only For quick sale. $6,300. Phone 5400. 1-3-A

5-ROOM HOUSE and bath in Winnsboro 3 years old Can be financed through F H A Price $3,200. 10% down. 20 yrs. to pay balance. E.W. Cruse, 302 Ouachita Bank Bldg Phone 5400.

DUPLEX on N 4th St. 7 rooms and 2 baths, partly furnished Large lot For quick sale owner will accept $5,000 Phone 5400. 12-27-A

Nice 5-Room House
BATH, 2 porches, all built in features in the kitchen. In best of condition. Corner lot near Jr. College, 4010 DeSiard St. For quick sale, $4,200 Reason for selling, owner leaving the city. Phone 5400 12-29-A

88—Real Estate Brokers

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LIST YOUR PROPERTY with me for property management and for sale.
MRS. R. E. DAVIS
Phone 1094 12-29-A

● ANSWERS TO WAR QUIZ

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1. Flag is that of Zanzibar.
2. There are about 15,500 men in an average infantry division.
3. Yes. In an experiment at Lewisburg, Pa., federal penitentiary convicts have been enlisted in the army.

COTTONSEED MEAL

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Prime cottonseed meal futures (41 per cent) closed quiet. Closing prices F. O. B. Memphis: Jan. 39.00; March 39.25; May 38.50; July 38.50; Dec. 39.00. Sales no.

Florence Nightingale was born May 15, 1820.

MARKETS

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—While only the proverbial bakers' dozen showed up for today's brief stock market session, these were mostly bullishly inclined, especially toward peace-rated favorites.

Plus marks of fractions to a point or more predominated at that opening and, in the majority of cases, these were retained when the closing gong sounded. Transfers for the two hours were around 300,000 shares.

Bonds and commodities were steady.

(FINAL QUOTATIONS)

Air Reduction	41¼
Allied Chemical & Dye	143
Allie Stores	6⅜
Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing	27
American Can	72⅞
American Car & Foundry	25¼
American & Foreign Power	2
American Locomotive	7⅝
American Power & Light	⅝
American Rolling Mills	10⅜
American Smelting & Refintery	37
American Sugar Refinery	19¾
American Tel & Tel	126
American Tobacco B	43¼
American Water Works	3⅜
Anaconda Copper	24⅜
Atchison T & S F	45⅞
Aviation Corporation	3⅜
Baltimore & Ohio	3⅛
Barnsdall Oil	12⅜
Bendix Aviation	34¼
Bethlehem Steel	55⅜
Boeing Airplane	15¼
Borden Company	22⅛
Bucyrus Erie	6⅛
Budd Manufacturing	3
Calumet & Hecla	6⅜
Canadian Pacific	6⅝
Case J I	76½
Celanese Corporation	27⅞
Cerro De Pasco	32½
Chesapeake & Ohio	32⅞
Chrysler Corporation	69⅝
Coca-Cola Company	89½
Commercial Solvents	9½
Commonwealth & Southern	¼
Consolidated Coppermines	4½
Consolidated Oil	7
Continental Can	27
Continental Motors	4⅛
Continental Oil Delaware	26⅞
Corn Products	57¾
Cuban-American Sugar	7½
Curtiss-Wright	6⅞
Curtiss-Wright A	21¾
Deere & Company	26⅝
Douglas Aircraft	57
Du Pont De Nemours	136¼
Eastman Kodak	147½
Electric Auto Lite	30½
Electric Boat	16⅛
Electric Power & Light	1¼
Engineers Public Service	2¾
Firestone Tire & Rubber	25½
General Electric	30⅜
General Foods	35
General Motors	44
Gillette Safety Razor	4½
Goodrich B F	27
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	27
Great Northern Railway pf	21¾
Greyhound Corporation	14¼
Hecker Products	8⅜
Hudson Motor	4½
Illinois Central	8⅛
International Harvester	61
International Nickel Can	29¼
International Tel & Tel	6⅞
Johns-Manville	71¼
Kansas City Southern	5⅝
Kennecott Copper	28⅜
Kroger Grocery	27
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	33½
Liggett & Myers Tobacco B	60½
Lockheed Aircraft	17¼
Loew's Incorporated	46¼
Lorillard P	16¼
Mathieson Alkali	21⅞
McLellan Stores	6⅜
Mengel Company	4⅝
Montgomery Ward	35⅝
Nash-Kelvinator	6¼
National Biscuit	15¼
National Can	5¼
National Dairy Products	14¼
National Distillers	26
National Power & Light	2¼
National Supply	5¾
Newport Industries	10¼
New York Central Railroad	10½
North American Company	9¾
Northern Pacific	8½
Otis Elevator	16½
Packard Motor	2½
Pan-American Airways	26¼
Paramount Pictures	16⅞
Penney J C	82
Pennsylvania Railroad	22¾
Phillips Petroleum	45⅝
Procter & Gamble	49½
Pure Oil	11¼
Radio Corporation of America	4⅜
Remington Rand	12⅜
Republic Steel	14⅛
Reynolds Tobacco B	24¼
Richfield Oil	7¾
Schenley Distillers	21½
Sears Roebuck	62⅜
Shell Union Oil	18⅜
Simmons Company	16⅞
Socony Vacuum	10
Southern Pacific	15¾
Southern Railway pf	36¼
Sperry Corporation	24
Standard Brands	4⅜
Standard Oil California	29
Standard Oil Indiana	28⅞
Standard Oil New Jersey	47
Stone & Webster	5⅝
Studebaker	5¾
Swift & Company	22¾
Texas Company	41¾
Tidewater A Oil	10
Timken-Detroit Axle	27¾
Union Carbide	82¼
Union Oil California	15⅜
United Air Lines	20⅛
United Aircraft	25⅛
United Corporation	9/32
United Drug	7⅝
United Fruit	65½
United Gas Imperial	5½
United States Rubber	27⅛
United States Smelting R & M	46
United States Steel	47¾
Vanadium Corporation	15½
Warner Brothers Pictures	8⅜
Wesson Oil & Snowdrift	17⅛
Western Union Telegraph	27½
Westinghouse Air Brakes	15½
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg	82
Woolworth F W	29¾

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Stocks—steady; peace shares favored. Bonds—steady; few rails higher. Cotton—firm; trade price fixing and commission house buying.

CHICAGO: Wheat—higher; short covering. Corn—higher; weather conditions. Cattle — nominally steady. Hogs—steady; top $14.75.

COTTON

New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Cotton futures advanced here today on trade buying and expectations of favorable farm price legislation after congress reconvenes. Closing prices were steady 35 to 60 cents a bale higher.

	Open	High	Low	Close	
Jan.	19.11	....	....	19.17b	
March	19.21	19.31	19.21	19.30	up 7
May	19.14	19.22	19.14	19.21	up 9
July	19.09	19.17	19.09	19.16	up 8
Oct.	19.09	19.08	19.00	19.07b	
Dec.	19.03	19.09	19.03	19.09	up 12

b—Bid.

SPOT COTTON

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Spot cotton closed steady 35 cents a bale higher. Sales 203, low middling 16.45, middling 19.70, good middling 20.15. Receipts none, stock 329,780.

AVERAGE COTTON PRICE

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The average price of middling 15/16ths-inch cotton today at ten designated southern spot markets was 30 cents a bale higher at 19.84 cents a pound; average for the past 30 market days 19.48; middling 7/8ths-inch average 18.95.

New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Light trade price fixing and new commission house and New Orleans buying today found offerings scarce in a quiet session in cotton futures. A good part of the activity represented evening up operations prior to the week-end holiday. There also were some further transferring of hedge positions forwarded by spot firms.

Underlying steadiness continued to stem continued expectations of large government and lend-lease textile orders and more liberal farm price treatments when the new congress convenes. The rally encountered only scale up hedging and profit taking.

Futures closed 30 to 60 cents a bale higher.

	Open	High	Low	Last	
Jan.	18.99	18.99	18.99	18.97n	up 6
Mch.	19.00	19.08	19.00	19.05-06	up 6
May	18.92	19.00	18.92	18.97	up 8
July	18.86	18.94	18.86	18.92-93	up 9
Oct.	18.76	18.88	18.76	18.86	up 12
Dec.	18.78	18.88	18.78	18.86-87	up 10

Middling spot 20.73n up 5.
n—Nominal.

CHICAGO GRAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Late buying today lifted all grain prices to fractional net gains for the post-holiday short session, with corn up almost a cent to new highs for the past several months.

Strength of corn was attributed to weather conditions and recent hog price advances which many dealers thought indicated market supplies will be restricted.

Wheat closed 1-2 to 5-8 cent higher than Thursday, May and July $1.36 3-8; corn 1-2 and 3-4 up, May 93 7-8 to 94, July 93 3-4; oats 1-2 to 7-8 higher; rye 1-4 to 1-2 higher.

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
May	1.35⅞	1.36⅜	1.35½	1.36⅜
July	1.36	1.36⅜	1.35¾	1.36⅜
Sept.	1.37⅛	1.36½	1.36⅝	1.37⅜-½
CORN—				
May	.93½-⅝	.94	.93¼	.93⅞-94
July	.94¼	.94¾	.94⅛	.94¾
Sept.	.95	.95⅝	.95	.95⅝
OATS—				
May	....	....	....	.54½
July	....	....	....	.54
Sept.	....	....	....	.54½
SOYBEANS—				
May	....	....	....	1.72½
RYE—				
May	....	....	....	.77⅛-77
July	....	....	....	.79¾
Sept.	....	....	....	.80¾
LARD—				
Jan.	....	....	....	13.80

RIVER STAGES

Stations	Present Stage	24-Hour Change
MISSISSIPPI		
St. Louis	5.4	0.9 Rise
Memphis	10.4	0.0
Helena		
Arkansas City	11.2	0.2 Fall
Vicksburg	9.5	0.7 Fall
Natchez	15.1	0.2 Fall
Baton Rouge	11.8	0.1 Fall
OUACHITA		
Camden	7.3	0.2 Fall
Monroe		
OHIO		
Pittsburgh	16.8	0.2 Rise
Cincinnati	30.3	5.1 Rise
Cairo	21.2	0.8 Rise
TENNESSEE		
Chattanooga	12.0	0.3 Rise
CUMBERLAND		
Nashville	21.4	
ARKANSAS		
Little Rock	3.4	0.2 Rise
RED		
Shreveport	6.8	0.1 Rise
Alexandria	4.2	0.0

British Flight Officer Tells Of Bombing Raids

Navigator Who Has Seen Action Over Germany Tells Of Operations

The biggest hazard to navigation in night bombing missions over Germany is not the Messerschmitts and Focke-Wolfs, but the ground defenses as a whole, and especially around the target cities.

You can take this from an officer who has made a couple of hundred trips over Berlin, Cologne, Hamburg, Kiel, Emden, Wilhelmshaven, Bremen and a number of other German defense and war production centers.

The officer is Paul L. W. Pemberton, a flight lieutenant and rated navigator of the R. A. F. who recently arrived at Selman field.

"You don't have to worry so much about the Jerry fighters, but their anti-aircraft is rather accurate," Flight Lieutenant Pemberton explains. "You see, they have taken most of the anti-aircraft guns from the occupied countries of central Europe and put them round their own factories and docks."

The flight lieutenant, who was "on operations" for several months before he came to this country about a year ago, is a veteran of many a night raid from British bases over objectives ranging in distance from 600 to 1,600 miles out.

The shortest missions were to the Ruhr river industrial area in Germany, and the longest to Turin, north Italian industrial center which has recently received a terrific pounding from the same R. A. F.

The British officer went on these trips in the big bombers of the British bomber command, such as, Wellingtons, Lancasters, Sterlings and so on. He combined the functions of navigator and bombardier. He was one of the first to drop the 4,000-pound "block-busters" over the military installations of un-believing Germans who had been promised immunity from air raids.

He talks about crossing the Alps into northern Italy, or sailing over the Rhine in the moonlight, as if they were familiar and somewhat commonplace experiences. About his problems as a navigator he said, but navigation cadets at Selman field, who may conceivably be going on the same missions before very long, will have an opportunity to hear more on this matter. For Flight Lieutenant Pemberton is here to give "operational color" to certain navigation lectures.

On the R. A. F. blue uniform of his service, the British officer wears the single wing of the navigator over the left breast pocket. On each lapel is the metal insignia "VR", signifying that he is a member of the Volunteer Reserve. His rank of flight lieutenant is the equivalent of the United States army air forces rank of captain.

Though he has never been wounded, the flier has been pretty well shaken up. One December night he had to bail out over the English channel, just off the home coast. He was in sight of land, and was quickly rescued.

That was probably his narrowest escape. How many he has had without realizing it is not recorded.

Once again, he recalls, his ship was attacked by three German fighter Messerschmitt 110 planes. One of the attackers was chased off by the aerial gunners, and the other two disappeared into the night without gunplay.

Flight Lieutenant Pemberton is now a member of the R. A. F. delegation in Washington, D. C., and is on special duty with the British air commission. His immediate chief is Group Captain H. A. Hogan, who is director of flying training for the delegation, with a rank equivalent to that of colonel.

He is one of three R. A. F. navigation officers assigned to the three training centers of the U. S. A. A. F. Flying Training Command. He came to Selman field from the Pan-American Navigation school at Coral Gables, Miami, Fla. There he had been engaged in the instruction of R. A. F. navigation cadets, a program which was discontinued when the British cadets were transferred away.

Born October 5, 1909, at Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, Flight Lieutenant Pemberton was graduated from Wolstanton Grammar school in 1927. Under the English educational system, the grammar school includes the curriculum of the first two years of college in the United States.

For the next twelve years the flight lieutenant was the director of an automobile concern which combined the function of an agency, repair shops and garage, and which had five different branches.

In February, 1939, he joined the Volunteer Reserves, an organization begun by the Chamberlain government to form a nucleus for R. A. F. expansion. With other civilians, he studied navigation and bombardiering, on his own time and, partly, at his own expense.

With the outbreak of war in September, 1939, he was called to active service and quickly finished his training, to become a commissioned a pilot officer, equivalent of a second lieutenant.

His training completed, he began "ops" with the bomber command. Promotions followed, through the grade of flying officer, to his present rank.

After a period on operational duty, Flight Lieutenant Pemberton was assigned to the training command, and, for a time before he came to the United States, he was a navigation instructor in Great Britain.

He likes it fine here.

COMMITTEES OF KIWANIS LISTED

West Monroe President Announces Names For Coming Year

E. S. Eby, for the past 12 years secretary of the West Monroe Kiwanis club, has resigned his office which interferes with his business affairs, and he is to be succeeded by W. R. Hatchell.

The incoming president of the club, Paul Reising, has just announced his committees for the year as follows:

Underprivileged children: George Welch, Dr. W. R. Cunningham, Tom Eubanks, Bob Kilgore.

Boys and girls: L. E. Gruber, Dale Cobb, Jack Knowles.

Agriculture: T. C. Drew, Tom Hicks, Simmie Woods.

Public affairs: Tom Hicks, C. C. Bell, Mayor D. C. Golson, Sam Humphries, E. O. Smith.

Kiwanis education: S. L. Lantrip, E. S. Eby, Joe Johnson.

Finance: Ed Pritchett, Lee Hawkins, George Welch.

Membership and classification: A. L. DeLaan, Jr., Clyde Hatchell, Walter Fisher, Dorris Harper, Julius Chandler.

Attendance: Prevost Craighead, Leon Wood, Jesse Heard, J. N. Rogers.

House and reception: E. S. Eby, Dick Jollisant, Leo Ragland, Joseph W. Jones.

Program: W. R. Younger, Dale Cobb, Joe Smith, Paul Reising.

Interclub relations: Joe Johnson, T. John, Harvey McDonald, Reggie Hatchell.

Publicity: Lee Hawkins, Nolan McGaughey, Roy Jordan.

Support of churches: Dr. C. E. Autrey, J. H. Rinehart.

Spence, Miss Mary Grace Lawn.

Music: Dale Cobb, Mrs. Raymond

Oil And Gas News

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 26.—(AP)—The completion of six new oil wells with an initial daily production of 1,695 barrels was announced today by the minerals division of the state conservation department. Issuance of permits for 10 new drilling locations was also listed in the division's weekly report.

The completions:

Claiborne parish, Haynesville field: Midstates Oil Corporation's Lewis Orr No. 1, 315 barrels through 20/64 inch choke, Mid States Oil L. Sherman No. 1, 199 barrels through 20/64 choke, Robert A. Stacy's Hudson Sales No. 1, 648 barrels through 1/4 inch choke.

East Baton Rouge parish, University field—Sugar Field Oil company Lerner's Victory No. 1, 130 barrels through 7/64 inch choke.

Jefferson Davis parish, West Mermentau field — H.M. Naylor Oil Co.'s Acadian Dev. Co. No. 3, 281 barrels through 1/4 inch choke.

Vermilion parish, White Lake field—Union Oil Co. of Calif. Louisiana Furs 6-A, 120 barrels through 10/64 inch choke.

South Louisiana permits:

Acadia parish, Branch field—Union Sulphur Co.'s Dorris Andreus No. 1, 3300 ft southwesterly along NE line in Sec. 51, T8S-R2E, from N-/C S51, then NE 660 ft at Rt angles to the three hundred and 50 ft line.

Evangeline parish, Pine Prairie field—Pan-American Production Co.'s Loeb No. 1, 1675 ft W and 700 ft from NE corner Sec. 32, T4SR1W.

Iberville parish, Bayou Blue field—The Superior Oil Co.'s Schwing Lumber and Shingle Co. No. 21, 450 ft N, 3305 ft W of SE corner, S68, T9S-R10E.

St. Mary parish, Belle Isle field—Sun Oil Co.'s State Lease No. 350—Belle Isle Corp.'s No. 3, 42 Degs 53 Mins E 4687 ft from Station "Belle Isle" 4681 (sic) 250 Lease No. 350—Belle Isle Corp.'s pool No. 2.

North Louisiana permits:

Caddo parish, Pine Island field—Southern Oil and Gas Co.'s Muslow No. 7, 330 ft N and 330 ft E of SW corner of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, S 1/2 of NW 1/4, S5, T20N-R15W. Vivian field—W. T. Bell's Thigpen-Herold No. 2, 990 ft N and 330 ft W of SE corner of SE 1/4 of SW 1-4, S34, T22N-R16W.

Caddo parish wildcat—C. W. Beene's Bostwick et al No. 1, 1980 ft N, 660 ft E of SW corner of SE 1/4. S11, T18N-R15W. Pine Island field—Magnolia Petroleum Co.'s Doan-Thigpen No. 5, 1157.6 ft N, 990 ft W of SE corner, S6, T20N-R15W.

La Salle parish, Nebo field—Grubb and Hawkins' T. Coon and Riley Wilson No. 1, from SW corner of lot No. 4, 1,000 ft N, 660 ft E at Rt angles, S15, T7N-R3E. Nebo field—Grubb and Hawkins' T. Coon and Riley Wilson No. 2. from SW corner of lot No. 4, 500 ft N along W line, then 900 ft E at Rt angles, S15, T7N-R3E.

JUANITA LEE MORRIS AND ENSIGN BALDWIN MARRIED

The marriage of Miss Juanita Lee Morris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Clark of Vernonia, Ore., to Ensign Albert Jack Baldwin, son of Mrs. J. W. Baldwin, 707 Wood street, Monroe, was announced here yesterday.

The wedding took place here December 9 while Ensign Baldwin was on leave from the Naval Air Force, with Rev. L. T. Hastings, pastor of the First Baptist church, performing the ceremony at the church.

Ensign Baldwin has since returned to active duty with the navy flyers.

'HEAD FERTILIZER'

It is said that a tribe of southwestern China believes that crops will not grow unless a certain number of human heads have been ploughed into the soil.

In the World War I battle of Verdun there were 2,000,000 combatants, of which number 1,000,000 were killed.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

DAILY COTTON TABLE

Port movement	Mdlg.	Rects.	Sales	Stocks
New Orleans	19.70	....	203	329,780
Galveston	19.60	5,638	......	1,022,142
Houston	19.62	2,041	582	916,971
Mobile	.....	....	......	66,885
Savannah	20.06	....	1	79,604
Charleston	20.06	....	......	37,500
Norfolk	.....	529	......	42,889
New York	20.73	....	....	8,430
Boston	.....	57	......	4,249
Corpus Christi	.....	....	......	82,837
Minor Ports	.....	....	......	197,568
Total Saturday	.....	8,265	786	2,788,276
Total for week	.....	8,265	......	....
Total for season	.....	1,677,709	......	....

Interior movement	Mdlg.	Rects.	Shipts.	Sales	Stocks
Memphis	19.80	....	....	2,136	....
Augusta	20.25	....	....	......	199,105
Little Rock	19.70	....	....	110	116,843
Dallas	19.75	....	....	638	....
Montgomery	19.90	....	....	......	....
Total Saturday	.....	....	....	2,884	315,948

COLONEL TCHOU TO SPEAK HERE

Noted Chinese Leader Will Tell Town Hall Of His Country

Former private secretary to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, for three years director labor department of the Chinese government, former vice-president of the International Labor conference at Geneva, founder Officers Moral Endeavor association which was the forerunner of the Chinese new life movement, and many other notable distinctions belong to Colonel Tchou.

His address to be delivered to the members of the Monroe Town Hall on January 21, is awaited with unusual interest here.

Not only is Colonel Tchou one of China's great political leaders but he is an outstanding student, linguist, writer and painter. A direct descendant of Chu Hsi, great philosopher and Confucian scholar of the Sung dynasty (12th century) he became a master of Chinese classics at the age of 12. Later he made a special study of the philosophy of Chu Hsi.

He spent nine years in Europe as a student, receiving his college degree from the University of Glasgow. He speaks English, French and German, as well as Chinese. He has visited Russia four times in recent years and has made three lecture trips across the United States.

When he spoke at the National Press club in Washington, Senator Thomas of the foreign relations committee declared, "That is the most thrilling talk on the Orient I have ever heard."

One of the most popular characteristics of Colonel Tchou's public addresses is their wit and humor. In this respect he is one of the easiest-to-take speakers of the current year in America.

The vast importance of China to America and the present war for worldwide freedom and democracy is to be discussed first hand at the Town Hall meeting here.

For five years, China has been battling against heart-breaking odds to hold the Japanese invader. Without modern arms or industry, China has fought on—and so made possible the present effort of the United States and the western world to overthrow the new international gangsterism.

Although American men and women generally are much better acquainted with China's vast resources, unlimited manpower and rich territory than formerly, they still know little of the Chinese potential for war and peace. Colonel Tchou, because of his intimate acquaintance with General and Mrs. Chiang Kai-Shek and other Chinese leaders—as well as with European and Asiatic nations and national figures—is in a position to present accurate and up-to-the-minute information to club members.

Normal jaw pressure of a man in biting is 60 to 65 pounds, but the normal bite of a woman is only 25 to 30 pounds.

Pause... Refresh

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War Girl Of The Week

MISS LILLIAN QUINN

Miss Lillian Quinn, both sweet and charming, comes to light as our Typical Southern Bell with the reservations of the old south and the spirit and ideals of our present day.

"Lilly Q," as she is known to all her friends, was born and reared in Bastrop, La., where, in high school, she majored in commerce and was president of that club. After graduation came two years at Louisiana State Normal college at Natchitoches, La., where she pursued the chosen course and added special study in shorthand and typing. Here she was a member of Delta Sigma Epsilon sorority, physical education society, and several commercial organizations.

After completion of her special course, Lillian post-graduated from the Bastrop Commercial school and went to work in the navy office, supervisor of shipbuilding in Pascagoula, Miss. With seven months of government service to her credit, she transferred to Monroe Sub-Depot headquarters where she is now secretary to Lieutenant Colonel Castex P. Conner, Sub-Depot commander.

"Lilly Q" has an unusual hobby of collecting penguins. In her collection, which numbers over 100, she has penguins of all varieties. Some of china, cardboard, some which are book-ends, pin cushions and such. Lil also is fond of traveling and spent a portion of last winter in securing a tan on Florida beaches.

After office hours, knitting for the Red Cross and reading take up much of her time. She enjoys good books and an occasional musical comedy movie. Her future ambition is to "see the world"—without joining the navy, of course.

Louisianians Will Trap $10,000,000 Worth Of Fur

Prize Pound Of Coffee For Largest First Day Spurs Production

By Dorothy Fisher

POINT A LA HACHE, La., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Warm weather and draft depletions got Louisiana's 12,000 to 15,000 fur trappers off to a somewhat slow start this month but a prize pound of coffee for the largest first day's catch spurred production in one sector.

The opening day found schoolboys of 12 and old men of 65, families intact and families with the school-age children left behind, brides and wives of many years, returning to the swamplands and marshes from which they will trap up to $10,000,000 worth of fur—mostly muskrat—within the next three months to make Louisiana the largest fur producing state in the union.

One 16-year-old boy, who is in the ninth grade in a New Orleans school, dropped out for three months of trapping and, as usual, expects to make up to $1,000. Then he will return to school to catch up lost work.

He is typical of the Louisiana trapping folk who drop whatever they are doing, whether it is working in the shipyards, farming, or running a street car in New Orleans, to return to trapping in season.

The draft has cut deeply into the trappers' ranks, but not as deeply as in other communities because these people marry young. Even the draft boards who know the clan well were surprised when so many 'teen age registrants reported they were married and the heads of growing families.

The trappers are a gregarious lot, much given to early marriage and large families, but their lives are hard and often lonely, during the winter season when nature coats the chubby Louisiana marsh rats with the texture and thickness of fur enabling it to compete with fur from sub-zero climates.

Some of the trappers work their trade within the city limits of New Orleans, have electricity in collapsible cabins pitched beside the marsh, but others go deep, deep into the swamp seeking better trapping grounds, and know almost nothing of civilization's blessings and handicaps until they pick up their traps with the return of warm weather.

Mostly the trapper takes his family with him, unless school or other reasons forces him to leave some of the children behind. Many just remove the children from school, counting on their making up the work when they go back. Thus both boys and girls get an early apprenticeship in trapping and unless they move away from Louisiana, may stay at it until old age.

Felicia Farbe, trapping near New Orleans, is an example. About 30 years old, she has been trapping with her father for many years. He is a farmer but spends his winters in the marsh.

"I never heard of anyone getting too old to trap; my father will go back to the farm in the spring, but we'll be back here next winter," she said.

They trap on land owned by M. P. Planche, who leases the trapping rights, and gets 50 per cent of the catch.

"These people here will average 25 to 30 muskrats per day," he said, "and will make anywhere from $500 to $1,000 during the season."

But some trappers make a great deal more. Catches of $3,000 to $5,000 by a single family have been reported, and that is far from hay in a land where the annual income is low. The trappers bring out from 5,000,000 to 10,000,000 muskrat pelts annually, and before another season rolls around this fur will warm many a lonely American soldier and sailor in the fighting outposts of global warfare.

Some of the trappers are relatively well educated, some are Cajuns speaking a French patois and understanding no English, descendants of the early French settlers of south Louisiana.

Early marriage is possible because of the earning power of trappers when the weather has been right.

MEN BEHIND BARS ARE IN WAR TOO

Make War Goods, Give To Blood Banks And Purchase War Bonds

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The men behind the bars of America's prisons are in this war, too.

They're holding military drills, they're making war goods in prison shops, they're giving blood to plasma banks, they're buying war bonds and stamps. . . .

Somehow, the men who have lost their own freedom, even temporarily, appreciate readily the significance of a fight for world freedom. And so the morale of prisoners was never higher, is improving.

The Central Howard association of Chicago, devoted to post-prison rehabilitation, found out all that and more in a survey of the 46 state penal and correctional institutions.

One of the most surprising things uncovered was that the prison population is steadily decreasing, in at least one instance amounting to one-third the average rollcall. This, in the face of an F.B.I. survey that indicates a rise in the amount of violent crime over the country.

Explanation for this seeming paradox:

Improved economic conditions attended by extension and increase in the number of paroles for work in war industries, releases to the armed forces, and a high standard of conduct induced by a desire to get back into a world of multiple new opportunities after service of minimum time.

The Presidio, Iowa state prison publication had this to say:

"The movement of prison workers to prison farms and camps combined with fewer admissions is leaving empty cells where before it was hard to find a vacancy. Perhaps in the not too distant future the "steel range" (cell-house) can be donated to make part of a battleship or maybe a few tanks."

Warden F. D. Henderson of Ohio penitentiary, reported: "Increased morale, better discipline, very marked patriotic attitude. Population decreasing due to less commitments from courts and fewer parole violators."

P. A. Lawson of Iowa state prison noted "the latent patriotism has been brought out among the inmates. There is much anxiety among them to help win the war." P. D. Hayden of Maine's state reformatory for men reported the lowest population in 13 years, coinciding with a sustained demand for supervised inmate labor by local farms and industry. He commented: "Our inmates are making a real effort to combat the local labor shortage."

"The morale of the men is very high," wrote Warden Clinton T. Duffy of San Quentin, Calif., prison. "Every effort is made to maintain a clean record in order to gain recognition for assignment to fire-fighting and harvesting crews off the reservation, as well as for early release for work in defense industries."

Also indicative of the surge of patriotism was an announcement by T. P. Sullivan, Illinois director of public safety, that 800 paroled Illinois convicts have been inducted into the army during the past year.

Twenty-two of the 46 institutions surveyed said their prisoners were manufacturing goods for direct war use; the 24 others reported legal barriers to such production.

One in the latter class said its inmates, determined to do something despite the barrier, had pitched in to produce 1,527 separate arm and leg splints for the Red Cross, employing for the purpose old packing cases and other salvaged odds and ends. The superintendent noted his charges had also put their slim pocket change into a bomber fund, now totaling $259.46.

Twelve institutions reported the donation of 3,980 pints of blood to established banks and 28 said a majority of their prisoners had volunteered such donations and were awaiting visits by a collection agency. At one place, the call for blood had a 90 per cent response.

War bond and stamp purchases by prisoners in the cross-section amounted to $251,906.15, plus $6,071.09 in cash Red Cross donations.

Increased agricultural production figured in virtually every report, and the survey disclosed a widening use of muscle-hardening drill in "free time."

At Jackson's state prison of southern Michigan, 500 inmates have joined a basic training unit that is receiving regular instruction in military tactics. Military formation work has become an established part of the recreation program at Colorado state reformatory where Deputy Warden Harry C. Tinsley commented "it has helped to prepare boys for the army when they leave here." Three hundred take volunteer military training at Oklahoma state reformatory.

Joseph Smith, founder of Mormonism, was born at Sharon, Vt., in 1805.

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TODAY—SUNDAY

CHRISTMAS IS ENJOYED HERE

Unusually Balmy Day Adds To Pleasure; Soldiers Guests

Christmas proved as warm as an average summer day with the maximum temperature of 80.2 degrees and a minimum of 74 degrees as recorded at the official weather bureau at Selman field. While past records for the day were not easily accessible at the weather bureau, old timers declared that they could not recall such a warm day for Christmas in past years.

The public enjoyed the day despite the fact that many members of families were absent, being in many cases across the seas in the work of defending their country. But added colorfulness was seen in the day's observance as throngs of soldiers mingled with Monroe people, in many instances enjoying Christmas festivities in private homes, amid new-found friends.

Public institutions such as the Louisiana Children's home and the Louisiana Training institute had celebrations and ample dinners were served. The USO club house was a scene of interest with a varied program all day and with gifts for all men in armed service as a token of appreciation of the people of Monroe.

Many stores of Monroe were closed all day Saturday in order to afford a three-day holiday for tired clerks and overworked businessmen and women.

WILL SEEK SANITY HEARING FOR YOUTH

CHINOOK, Mont., Dec. 26.—(AP)—A sanity hearing will be requested for 16-year-old Leslie Schiefers after he is formally charged with the fatal shooting last Wednesday of Elaine Allen, 15, in the boy's home in Harlem.

Harry L. Burns, the boy's attorney, announced plans for seeking such a hearing.

County Attorney D. J. Sias said last night he would file a district court information charging first degree murder.

Earlier, the county attorney declared:

"In my opinion, the boy was insane."

The boy whistled and sang and played solitaire in Blaine county jail. Burns said he admitted shooting the girl with a small caliber rifle.

Sheriff C. B. Reser and the county attorney said they believed the principals were not sweethearts. Nether would discuss the question of a motive.

LODGE TO MARK ST. JOHN'S DA[Y]

Masons Will Hold Banquet Installation Sunday Night

Western Star lodge No. 24 F. an[d] M. will observe St. John's day [to]day, the meeting being called to [or]der at 8 p.m. at the Masonic tem[ple]. Immediately following the opening [of] the lodge, a banquet will be served [to] approximately 100 members, be[ing] prepared by the members of the [O.] E. S.

John James of Columbia will [be] toastmaster.

Immediately following the banq[uet] the officers for the ensuing year [will] be installed in formal ceremonia[l in] the lodge hall.

Officers to be inducted are the [fol]lowing: E. R. Bahan, worshipful m[as]ter; John Coon, senior warden; B. McRaney, Jr., junior warden; J. N[or]man Coon, senior deacon; J. C. S[...]vall, junior deacon; master of ce[re]monies, Nathan Coon; O. Hath[...] treasurer; Fred Culver, secretary.

Bees do not gather honey fr[om] flowers. Instead, they gather nec[tar] which they transform into honey.

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AMBULANCE

PHONE 577

DICK TRACY
YOU SEE, WHEN THIS PRUNE-FACE FOUND WE HAD SWITCHED PACKAGES ON HIM — HE CAME DOWNSTAIRS AND STARTED TO BEAT ME OVER THE HEAD.
THEN RUNNING OUTDOORS HE SAW JUNIOR'S BICYCLE TRACKS IN THE SNOW AND STARTED AFTER JUNIOR TO RETRIEVE HIS PULLEY MACHINE.
THESE SKETCHES WE FOUND IN HIS ROOM SHOW DEFINITELY THAT HE INTENDED TO BLOW UP THE BOMB-SIGHT FACTORY BY ROLLING A DRUM OF NITRO-GLYCERIN INTO THE PLANT ON THAT INCLINING RAILROAD.
Nitro
HE MUST HAVE INJURED HIMSELF WHEN HE JUMPED OFF THAT TAXI RUNNINGBOARD AND TRIED TO GRAB ME — 'CAUSE I LOOKED BACK AND SAW HIM LAYING THERE.
BUT I WANTED TO GET THIS THING TO HEADQUARTERS SO I KEPT PEDALING.
YOU SEE, JUNIOR AND I WEREN'T AS MUCH ASLEEP AS YOU TWO THOUGHT.
YOU WERE WONDERFUL, MRS. TRUEHEART— BUT TELL ME ONE THING — HOW DID YOU GET HIS PICTURE? —THE ONE YOU SENT TO THE PAPERS?
JUST THIS WAY—
ONE OF MY LITTLE CHRISTMAS "PACKAGES" WAS RIGGED UP WITH THAT CANDID CAMERA YOU GAVE TESS LAST CHRISTMAS. WHILE HE STOOD IN THE DINING ROOM — I SNAPPED.
HOLE FOR LENS
MEANWHILE, PAINFULLY HURT AND AFRAID TO SHOW HIMSELF, PRUNE-FACE HOVERS IN THE BASEMENT AREA-WAY OF AN ABANDONED BUILDING —
CARRIED BY THE BITTER WIND, THE FRONT PAGE OF AN EARLY EDITION SETTLES ON THE STEPS.
SPY SOUGHT HERE!
MY FACE! WHERE DID THEY GET THAT PICTURE? EVEN THE MOST UNOBSERVING BOOTBLACK WOULD RECOGNIZE ME NOW! CURSE THAT OLD WOMAN.
I CAN'T EVEN ASK HELP OF A PASSER-BY! I CAN'T GET TO A DOCTOR! MY LEG - OH, MY LEG!
IF I SHOW MY FACE, I'LL BE NABBED! IF I STAY HERE MUCH LONGER, I'LL DIE OF GANGRENE!
I'VE GOT TO COVER MY FACE WITH SOMETHING.
HUH? - UH - A CUR WITH A SWEATER! A NICE SWEATER! HERE, PUPPY! COME HERE, PUPPY!

Little Orphan Annie
HAPPY NEW YEAR! YEAH! WELL, MAYBE IT'LL TURN OUT O. K.--- IT SURE WILL, IF A HUNDRED AND THIRTY MILLION OF US, WORKIN' TOGETHER, CAN MAKE IT COME OUT RIGHT--AND, O' COURSE, ALL OUR ALLIES ARE IN THERE SWINGIN', TOO-
BUT, TH' SAME AS IN ANY TOUGH SPOT, IT'S UP TO US TO DO ALL WE CAN, AN' NOT WASTE TIME AN' HOT AIR YELPIN' ABOUT WHAT TH' REST O' THOSE ON OUR TEAM ARE DOIN', OR NOT DOIN'--WHAT A YEAR THIS HAS BEEN!
THIS TIME IT'S NO FUN LOOKIN' BACK AT TH' LAST TWELVE MONTHS! WAR! FOLKS--OUR FRIENDS--NEIGHBORS--GOIN' TO WAR! ALREADY GOLD STARS IN PLENTY WINDOWS--BLUE STARS BY TH' HUNDREDS, O' COURSE--
AND THIS IS NO BUSH LEAGUE GAME FOR MARBLES---THIS IS FOR KEEPS AND FOR US ALL--RATIONIN'--TAXES TAKIN' MOST ALL WE HAVE---BUT WHO KICKS? IF WE LOSE--WE LOSE EVERTHING!
WE WON'T LOSE---OUR MEN AREN'T TH' KIND WHO LOSE, EVER--AND THINK WHAT THEY ARE GIVIN'--NOT JUST MONEY OR TIRES OR AN EXTRA CUP O' COFFEE, OR CUFFS OFF THEIR PANTS! DOC ZEE GAVE HIS RIGHT ARM!
AND "DADDY"---HE--HE GAVE HIS LIFE! HE DIDN'T HAVE TO GO--AT LEAST NO LAW MADE HIM GO--BUT, LIKE THOUSANDS O' OTHERS, SOMETHIN' INSIDE HIM WOULDN'T LET HIM STAY OUT OF IT, AFTER PEARL HARBOR---
POOR, BRAVE "DADDY"---AND PUNJAB AND TH' ASP AND CHUCK--GONE FOREVER, NOW--IT STILL DOESN'T SEEM POSSIBLE---MAYBE, SOMEHOW---BUT I KNOW IT'S FOOLISH TO HOPE--ALL I CAN DO IS PRAY---
WE ARE HARD TO KILL, SAHIB! BUT AFTER WEEKS OF TORTURE I FEAR THE MORNING SUNRISE WILL BRING THE FIRING SQUAD--
PROBABLY-- ---SH-H- HERE COMES A COOLIE-
IT IS I, WUN WEY--WITH LUCK I PASSED THROUGH THE GUARDS-
YOU! I HEARD THEY GOT YOU AT SHANGHAI, YEARS AGO--
THEY BELIEVED SO--BUT I AM HERE--QUICK! KNIVES--GRENADES--PISTOLS--THE GUARD IS AROUSED-
12-27-42
HAPPY NEW YEAR, CHUMPS!
WE'VE BROKEN CLEAR--HOW FAR IS IT TO THE CHINESE LINES?
WHEREVER TWO CHINESE ARE, THERE IS A CHINESE LINE--IT IS NOT FAR--FOLLOW ME-
HAROLD GRAY

Maw Green

THERE ARE JUST TWO THINGS WE'RE SURE OF--DEATH AND TAXES!
12-27-42
YEAH! BUT THERE'S ONE THING ABOUT DEATH---
IT DOESN'T GET WORSE, EVERY TIME CONGRESS MEETS!
HAROLD GRAY

THE KATZENJAMMER KIDS
by KNERR
LOOK! THOSE MARKS THE LITTLE TURTLE MADE IN THE MUD LOOK JUST LIKE WRITING!
SURE! IT ISS WRITING! HE VAS CHUST SIGNING HIS NAME TO A LETTER!
?
DON'T LET ME HEAR YOU FIBBING AGAIN!--- TOITLES CAN'T WRITE UND YOU KNOW IT!
SEE HOW DER TACK FOLLOWS DER MAGNET AROUND!-- AIN'T NATURE VUNDERFUL?
SO SOON AS I GLUE DER STOFE-LID TO DER TURKLE'S TUMMY VE VILL SHOW MAMA DOT TURKLES CAN WRITE!
LOOK, MAMA! HERE ISS A TURKLE DOT KIN WRITE---- UND NO FOOLIN!
DON'T TRY TO TELL ME DOT VEN IT AIN'T SO!
LISTEN, TURKLE-- VOT ISS MY NAME?
DISS UPSIDE DOWN WRITING AIN'T SO EASY!
YOU GOTTA SHOW ME!
YOU SEE, MAMA? HE KNOWS HOW TO WRITE MY NAME! NOW ASK HIM VOT DAY IT ISS?
FOR HEFFIN'S SAKE! IF I DIDN'T SEE IT MIT MY OWN EYESIGHT, I VOULDN'T BELIEF IT!
Hans
YOU SEE? HE CAN TELL VOT DAY UF DER VEEK IT ISS! NOW I ASK HIM VOT DER CAPTAIN UND DER INSPECTOR ISS DOING!
VUNDERFUL!-- WHO VOULD IMACHINE DOT A DUMB TOITLE COULD BE SO SMART!
Hans
Sunday
TELL US, TURKLE, VOT ISS DER CAPTAIN UND DER INSPECTOR DOING?
LOAFERS! A HUNDRET TIMES I SAID IT DEY SHOULDN'T PLAY PINOCHLE ON SUNDAY!
Sunday
pinochle
DER CHIG ISS UP! DOT SETTLES DER HASH!
ASK HIM VHERE DEY ISS PLAYING PINOCHLE, MAMA!
UH-OH!
TELL ME, QVICK VHERE ISS IT DER LOAFERS ISS PLAYING PINOCHLE?
pinochle
HE DON'T ANSWER! DOT'S FUNNY, HE ANSWERED ALL DER ODDER QVESTIONS!
BE PATIENT, MAMA! SOMETIMES HE ISS A LITTLE SLOW IN MAKING UP HIS MIND!
DER TOITLE SAID YOU VAS PLAYING PINOCHLE! ISS DOT DER TRUTH? ANSWER ME, YES OR NO?
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MICKEY MOUSE
by WALT DISNEY
WELL, HELLO, GOOFY! I HAVEN'T SEEN Y' IN... SAY, YOU DON'T LOOK VERY WELL!
NOPE! DON'T FEEL WELL, NUTHER!
KNOCK! KNOCK! KNOCK!
PARDON ME, WHILE I ANSWER THE... SAY, WHAT TH'...?
NO, THANKS... I ALREADY HAVE A SET!
NOW, COME OUTA THERE AND TELL ME WHAT'S WRONG WITH Y'!
IT'S MUH NERVES... THEY'RE ALL SHOT!
SINCE I LOST MUH JOB, CREDITORS HAVE BEEN KNOCKIN' ON MUH DOOR DAY AN' NIGHT! WHUT KIN I DO?
THE ONLY THING I KNOW IS TO PAY 'EM ... BUT IF YOU'VE GOT NO JOB...!
YUP! AND IF THEY DON'T QUIT KNOCKIN' ON MUH DOOR, I WON'T BE IN NO SHAPE TO GIT ONE!
THAT'S TOUGH! THEY SAY A MAN'S HOME IS HIS CASTLE, BUT IN YOUR CASE IT DOESN'T SEEM TO...!
BY GAWRSH, MICKEY, YUH GOT IT!
HUH?
?
OH, BOY!
LATER
I'LL BE DARNED, IF I CAN FIGURE WHAT I SAID THAT MADE HIM THINK I SOLVED HIS PROBLEM!
BUT, BY GOSH, I'M GONNA FIND OUT!
HI, MICKEY! HOW DO YUH LIKE MUH NEW MOAT AN' DRAW-BRIDGE?
! ?
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JOSÉ (JOE) CARIOCA
by WALT DISNEY
LOOK, SENHOR CARIOCA, THE NATIVES ARE FRANDLY! AND WHAT, ER... SCENERY! WOW!
WHAT AN ISLAND! SOCH FOOD! AND SOCH A FRANDLY PEOPLE, EH, SENHOR CARIOCA?
I'VE GOT EET! WHY SHOULD I GO HOME TO A LOT OF WORRIES? I'M STAYING HERE FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!
B-BUT, PAPA! WHAT WILL OUR FRIENDS BACK HOME SAY? YOU... YOU MUSTN'T!
STOP! I HAV' MADE OP MY MIND! I'M STAYING!
THAT NIGHT!
JOSE, I BEG OF YOU, PLEASE... YOU MUS' GET MY PAPA TO CHANGE HEES MIND!
DON' WORRY, MARIA, GO TO BED! I WEEL TAK' CARE OF EET!
THEES EES THE LIFE... SLEEPING OUTDOORS WEETH THE SKY FOR A ROOF! AH!
THEES EES MY BEEG CHANCE TO REALLY MAKE A HIT WEETH MARIA! AND BESIDES, I HAV PROMISE HER... BUT... BUT...!
NOW FOR A FEW WELL-SHAPED STONES; AH... THEES ONE WEEL DO!
NEXT MORNING!
GOOD MORNING, MARIA! GET YOUR THEENGS TOGETHER... WE ARE LEAVING AS SOON AS YOUR PAPA AWAKES!
WHY, JOSE! YOU HAV' CHANGE HEES MIND SO SOON?
OF COURSE! AH, THERE EES HEES VOICE, NOW!
WOW!
WELL, SENHOR ROCHA VAZ, EET LOOKS LIKE THE MEN ON THEES ISLAND ARE A LEETLE JALOUS OF YOU, NO?
YOU LOOK TIRED, PAPA! WOULDN'T YOU LIKE JOSE TO ROW FOR AWHILE?
NO! HE EES TOO SLOW AT ROWING FAST!
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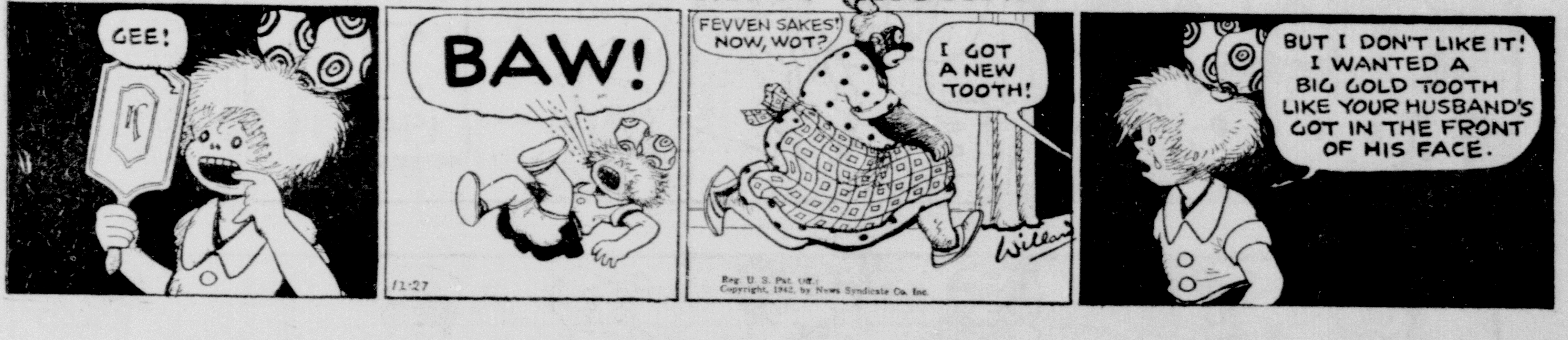

THE GUMPS
GOLLY, COUSIN JUNIPER - WE'VE GOT THIS ROBINSON CRUSOE BUSINESS LASHED TO THE MAST!
YES, LAD - ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME - PLENTY OF WILD GAME, FISH - AND YOU'RE EVEN GETTING YOUR VITAMINS FROM THE WILD HERBS, BERRIES AND GRASSES IN THIS STEW - NOT BAD, IF I DO SAY SO, EH?
GUS EDSON
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IT'S A REGULAR GARDEN OF EDEN - EXCEPT FOR THE MYSTERY OF OUR MISSING RADIO SET -
AYE - I'LL ADMIT THAT HAS ME A BIT STUMPED -
BUT IF WE HAVE A HIDDEN FOE AROUND HERE, HE'D BETTER STAY HIDDEN FOR THE SAKE OF HIS HEALTH -
GEE, I BET YOU'D MAKE SHORT WORK OF HIM! BUT JUST TO MAKE SURE, CAN'T YOU MAKE A FEW GUNS?
YOU CERTAINLY HAVE PLENTY OF CONFIDENCE IN ME, LAD - BUT AT THAT, I COULD MAKE A CRUDE SORT OF GUN - IN TIME -
I'VE BEEN EXPLORING A LITTLE - THERE'S IRON IN THIS GROUND - ALSO SMALL COAL DEPOSITS - I ALREADY HAVE SALTPETRE - AND IN YONDER LAVA BED I'M SURE THERE MUST BE SULPHUR -
HOORAY! LET'S GET TO WORK ON IT!
NOT SO FAST, MY HEARTY! WE'D NEED NITRIC ACID AND MERCURY FOR THE FULMINATE - AND LEAD FOR SHOT - TO SAY NOTHING OF THE TOOLS TO MAKE SUCH A DELICATE INSTRUMENT AS A GUN -
BUT COME - WE'VE A HOUSE TO BUILD - UNLESS YOU WANT TO LIVE IN THE CAVE - I FOUND SOME OLD LUMBER FROM BIM'S WRECKED RANCH HOUSE -
ROBINSON CRUSOE WAS BETTER OFF THAN WE - HE FOUND PLANKS FROM HIS WRECKED SHIP - ALSO NAILS AND TOOLS - WHAT I WOULDN'T GIVE FOR A GOOD SAW!
WE'LL HAVE TO SMELT SOME IRON ORE TO MAKE NAILS -
LET'S GET BACK TO OUR KITCHEN, LAD - MY STOMACH TELLS ME IT'S SUPPER TIME -
OH, BOY! I COULD EAT THE LEG OFF A BEAR RUG!
COUSIN JUNIPER! L-LOOK!
BELAY ME! NAILS, HAMMERS AND A SAW!!
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Y-YOU DON'T SUPPOSE UNCLE BIM HAD SOME WAY OF KNOWING THAT WE NEEDED TH-THOSE?
IMPOSSIBLE - AND I DON'T THINK BIM WOULD HAVE HAD OUR RADIO SENDING SET STOLEN, EITHER!
THERE'S A MYSTERY ATTACHED TO THIS PLACE - AND I'M GOING TO FIND OUT WHAT IT IS!

CAPTAIN EASY BY ROY CRANE
REG. U.S. PAT. OFF.
WHY HAVE YOU KIDNAPED ME?
BUT YOU AIN'T BEEN KIDNAPED, MRS. BLIMP
THEN WHY HAVE YOU BROUGHT ME HERE?
I'LL EXPLAIN ONCE MORE, MRS. BLIMP. YOU AIN'T BEEN QUITE WELL LATELY, AN' YER HUSBAND HIRED ME TO BRING YOU HERE FER A REST
BUT I TOLD YOU LAST NIGHT THAT I'M IN PERFECT HEALTH AND MY HUSBAND'S BEEN DEAD 13 YEARS!!
FURTHERMORE, I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT WITH A MR. BILLINGTON—IT'S AN IMPORTANT BUSINESS DEAL! I DEMAND TO BE TAKEN HOME IMMEDIATELY
PLEASE TRY TO RELAX, HONEY. THE REST WILL DO YOU GOOD
RELAX? RELAX? YOU EXPECT ME TO RELAX WITH $116,000 AT STAKE? LISTEN TO ME, YOU CROOK—
I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW I AIN'T NO CROOK!
YOU'RE EITHER A CROOK OR A FOOL! YOU THINK I'M CRAZY, DO YOU? THEN CALL MY DOCTOR—CALL MY FRIENDS! THEY'LL TELL YOU IF I'M CRAZY OR NOT!
NOW, HONEY, THEY AIN'T NO USE ARGUING
BESIDES I—I DUNNO IF I KIN SPLICE THIS TELEPHONE WIRE TOGETHER
I DEMAND THAT YOU VERIFY MY STORY IMMEDIATELY!
DON'T BE RIDICULOUS! OF COURSE MRS. BLIMP IS SANE! ... HER HUSBAND'S BEEN DEAD FOR YEARS!
(GULP!) MAYBE YER RIGHT!
OF COURSE I'M RIGHT! QUICK, CALL MR. BILLINGTON! TELL HIM TO HOLD THE MONEY!
YES, THIS IS BILLINGTON. EH? WHAT'S THAT? BUT IT'S TOO LATE! I'VE ALREADY BOUGHT MRS. BLIMP'S MINE! I PAID CASH! I HAVE A RECEIPT!
IT'S A FORGERY! A SWINDLE! I'VE BEEN ROBBED—AND IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT, YOU KIDNAPER!!
OH, MY STARS AN' BODY! WOT AM I GONNA DO?
I'LL TELL YOU WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO— YOU'RE GOING TO SPEND THE REST OF YOUR LIFE IN A PENITENTIARY!
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Roy Crane

ALLEY OOP
By V.T. HAMLIN
T. M. REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.
TOO BAD ALLEY HAD TO SPOIL THAT SCENE BY SMASHING THE CAMERA WITH AN EXTRA!
OH, DON'T BLAME HIM! THEY HAD ORDERS NOT TO PULL ANY PUNCHES... THE TROUBLE WAS WITH THE DIRECTOR-- HE SIMPLY UNDER-ESTIMATED HIS NEW STAR'S CAPABILITIES!
WELL, MISTER VATOR, I'D SAY THAT ONE SCENE IS HARDLY ENOUGH TO ESTABLISH OUR FRIEND'S ABILITY AS AN ACTOR...
I'M SORRY THERE ARE NO MORE PICTURES TO SEE!
OH, THERE'S MORE! WE'LL SEE THEM IN A MINUTE-- BUT FIRST, YOUNG LADY, I WANT TO ASK YOU SOMETHING!
YES, MISTER VATOR, WHAT IS IT?
IN YOUR LONG ASSOCIATION WITH OUR HERO, AHHH-- ER... YOU ARE~UMMM.. HIS ROMANTIC QUALITIES-- HOW'D YOU RATE HIM AS A GREAT LOVER?
ABSOLUTE ZERO...ZERO WITH A CAPITAL Z!!
SO HE'S A BUST, EH? HMM! OKAY, PROJECTION, GIVE US TH' REST OF THOSE OOP TAKES!
ALLEY OOP A GREAT LOVER?
HA HA HA! HA HA!
HELLO, I SEE WE'VE GOT COMPANY!
YES, MYRT! I GOT MY TIP FROM THE GIRLS IN THE CUTTING ROOM... THEY SAY HE'S PRETTY TERRIFIC!
I'M JUST DYING TO SEE HIS RUSHES! I'VE HEARD HE JUST OOZES GLAMOR!
OHHH! WHY, MARGE! HE'S GR-RAND! A MARVELOUS PHYSIQUE... AND HIS EYES... OOOOOH!
ISN'T HE THE THRILLINGEST THING YOU EVER SAW??
AHHHH!
?? !!
AHHHHH!
AHHHH!
SUCH TECHNIQUE! IF MY ED WOULD PITCH WOO LIKE THAT, I'D NEVER ASK ANYTHING MORE!
SAYS YOU, MYRT! BUT YOU'D JUST START ASKING GREAT BIG QUESTIONS!! THEY DON'T LEARN THAT ON A SWING SHIFT!
WHAT A MAN! WHEW!
OH, MAMA!!
ZERO ZERO, EH? HMM! OH, WELL, I GUESS THOSE KINDA THINGS DEPEND ON THE POINT OF VIEW
I'D SAY DIRECTOR VON JONES IS NOT ALONE IN HIS TALENT FOR UNDER-ESTIMATION!
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FOOZY'S FOOLOSOPHIES
I SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO DO MY SHARE!
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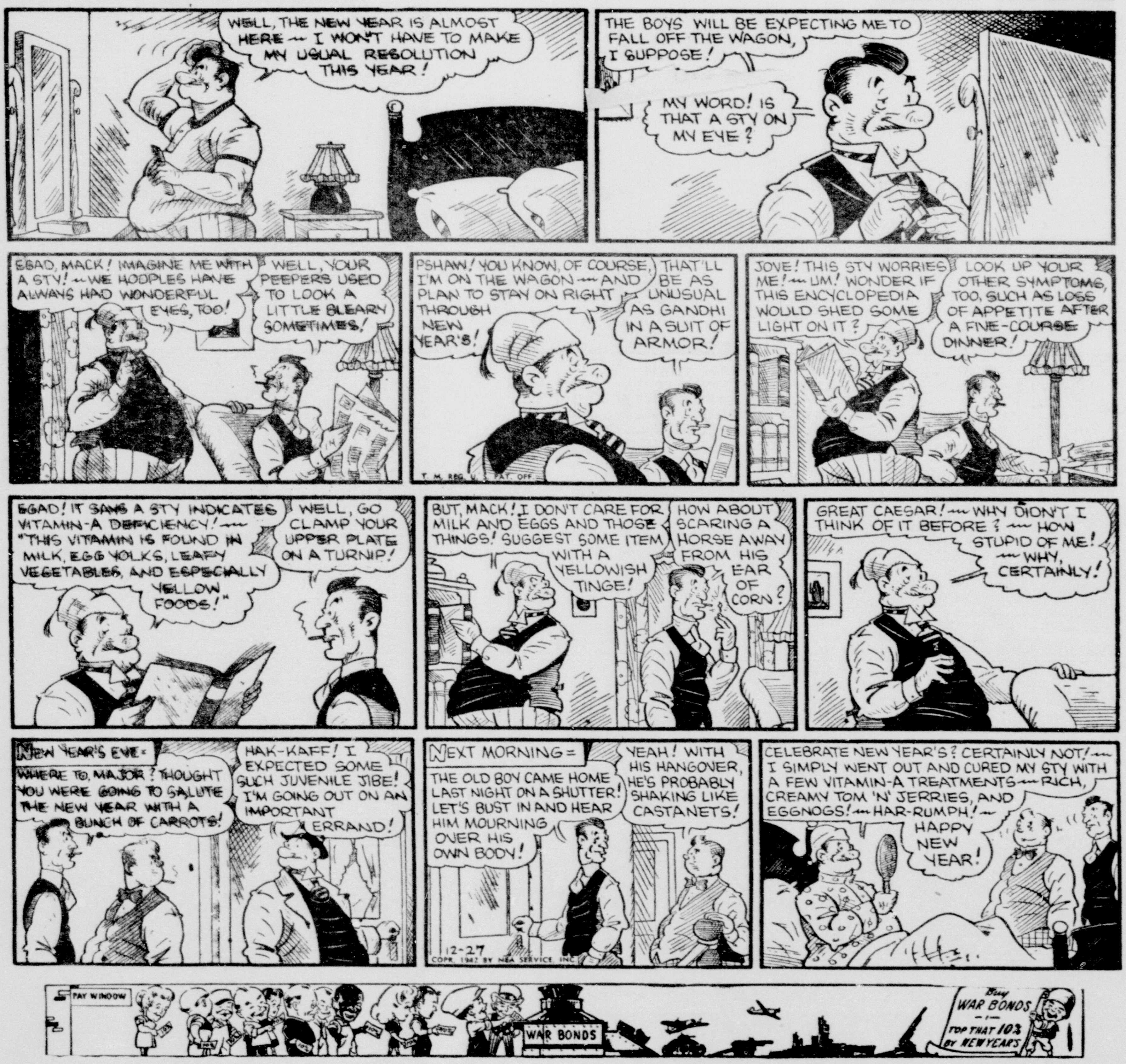
THE WEATHER THIS WEEK: OLD STUFF FOR A FEW MORE DAYS, AND THEN... DING DING.. NEW WEATHER!

ENROLL IN THE PAYROLL SAVINGS PLAN FOR REGULAR PURCHASE OF
WAR BONDS
TOP THAT 10% BY NEW YEAR'S

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

MAJOR HOOPLE



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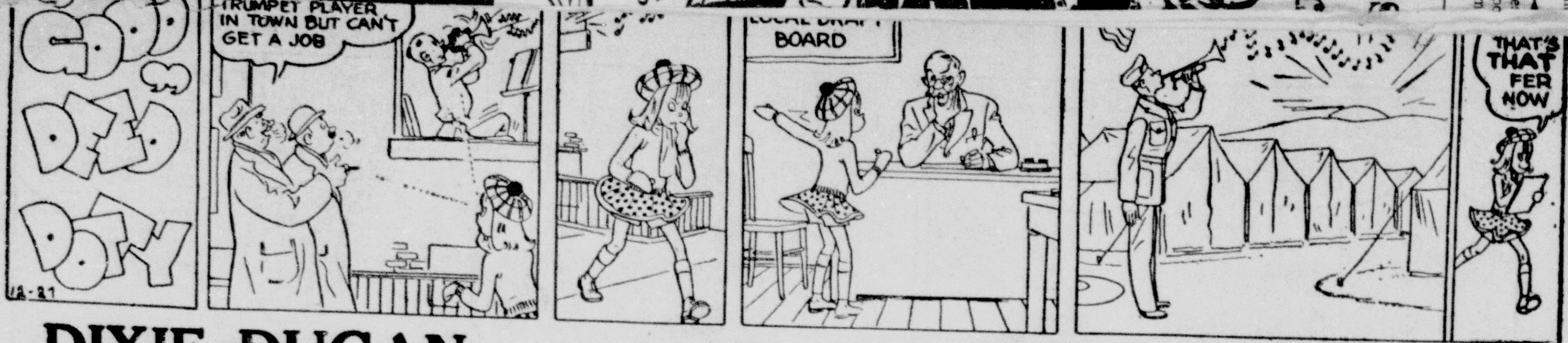

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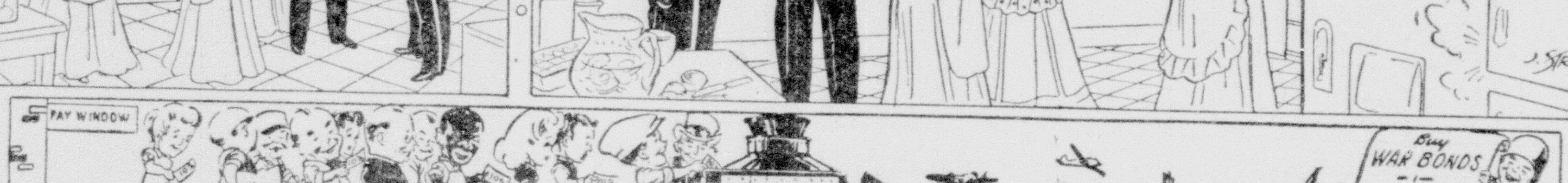

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BLONDIE
by
CHIC YOUNG
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WE'LL JUST BE GONE AN HOUR -- NOW, PLEASE, DEAR, PLEASE LOOK AFTER THE HOUSE
NOW, DON'T WORRY, DEAR, DON'T WORRY!
GEE WHIZ, SOMETIMES, I THINK BLONDIE FEELS I'M INCOMPETENT
JUST A MINUTE, BOYS, WAIT OUT HERE AND I'LL ASK MY FATHER
SAY, POP! I'VE GOT A COUPLE OF LITTLE FRIENDS OUT HERE AND WE'RE HUNGRY
SURE, HELP YOURSELVES
I LOVE LITTLE BOYS! THEY'RE SO CUTE!
OH, GOODIE, WE'RE HOME JUST IN TIME TO MAKE DADDY'S SUPPER
DAGWOOD! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE KITCHEN?
NOTHING, DEAR, NOTHING HAPPENED SINCE YOU LEFT!
THEY ATE EVERYTHING IN THE ICE-BOX -- EVEN THE ICE-CUBES!
THE PANTRY'S CLEANED OUT!
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THE MEMBERS OF THE SHADY LANE COMMANDOS APPOINTED ME A COMMITTEE TO THANK YOU FOR THE DELICIOUS LUNCH YOU SO GENEROUSLY SERVED TO US
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TABLE FOR FOUR
THIS WAY MADAME
CHIC YOUNG

Tarzan
HEART OF THE MOUNTAIN
by EDGAR RICE BURROUGHS
BRUGHAT'S ARROW HAD CUT THE ROPE---
--AND TARZAN DROPPED DOWN INTO THE ABYSS.
BUT A MOMENT LATER, TO HIS SURPRISE, HE STRUCK SOLID EARTH.
NEARBY WAS A STRANGE PASSAGE, LEADING TO A MAMMOTH CAVERN, WHICH-----
--WAS STREWN WITH ANCIENT WEAPONS. HERE, AGES AGO THE BERIAN FIGHTING MEN HAD TRAPPED THE BARBARIAN FOE. BUT HOW HAD THEY REACHED THIS UNDERGROUND BATTLEFIELD?
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AT THE FAR END OF THE ROOM HE FOUND ANOTHER TUNNEL. CAUTIOUSLY HE STEPPED INTO ITS EERIE MOUTH.
THEN HE FOLLOWED ITS WINDING COURSE DOWNGRADE THROUGH THE HEART OF THE MOUNTAIN.
AT LAST THE APE-MAN WAS BLOCKED BY A TANGLE OF VINES. EAGERLY HE CUT HIS WAY THROUGH.
AS HE HAD HOPED, HE FOUND HIMSELF AT THE FOOT OF THE MESA-FORTRESS.
THIS SECRET TUNNEL, ONCE THE PATH OF VICTORY FOR BERIAN WARRIORS, HAD BEEN LONG FORGOTTEN BY THEIR PEACEFUL HEIRS.
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-HOGARTH-
NOW THE APE-MAN HASTENED BACK TO THE VILLAGE TO INAUGURATE A STARTLING PLAN OF ACTION.
NEXT WEEK- DISCOVERED-

LI'L ABNER
by AL CAPP
Advice fo' Chillun
BUT THE TICKET I LOST SAID-HEAVEN!!
OH, SURE-I BELIEVE YOU!!
LI'L CHILLUN WHO TELL LIES WON'T GO TO HEAVEN, WHEN THEY DIES.....
SENT IN BY ROXANA McDUFFEE, OAKLAND CAL.
DAWN BREAKS OVER THE LUSH TURNIP FIELDS OF DOGPATCH --- SUDDENLY, THE PASTORAL PEACE OF THE SLEEPY COUNTRYSIDE IS PIERCED BY A PECULIAR DRONE!
IT RISES - IT GROWS NEARER - LOUDER - MORE OMINOUS ---
Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z
-AND-THEN- THEY COME!!!
TURNIP TERMITES! MILLYUNS OF 'EM!!
UP AN' AT 'EM, DOG-PATCHERS!
THIS TIME, WE IS READY FO' 'EM!
WE IS ARMED T'TH' TEETH WIF TURNIP TERMITE EXTERMINATOR!!
ALL DAY LONG, THE BLOODY BATTLE RAGES - WITHOUT MERCY SHOWN BY EITHER SIDE!! - ALTHOUGH STAGGERED AND WEAKENED BY COLOSSAL LOSSES, THE TERMITES ATTACK AGAIN AND AGAIN WITH INSANE COURAGE!!
-UNTIL-FINALLY-
WE GOT 'EM ALL-ALL BUT ONE!!
SHECKS! LET TH' LI'L VARMINT GO! - WHUT HARM KIN ONE BADLY WOUNDED TURNIP TERMITE DO?
DOGPATCHERS NEVAH WILL BE SLAVES
THE LAST TURNIP TERMITE OF THE SEASON WINGS HIS WOEFUL WAY FROM THE FIELD OF BATTLE - STRAIGHT INTO THE NET OF A SCIENTIST -
ODD-LOOKING LITTLE DEVIL, EH? WOULD IT'S BITE AFFECT A HUMAN BEING?
PERHAPS- BUT NO HUMAN BEING EXISTS WHO IS SUFFICIENTLY IMPREGNATED WITH TURNIP JUICES TO BE AFFECTED BY IT'S BITE.
BUT, JUST FOR THE SAKE OF SCIENTIFIC ARGUMENT, SUPPOSING SUCH A HUMAN DID EXIST - HOW WOULD THE BITE AFFECT THE VICTIM?
-LIKE THE BITE OF A WEREWOLF! THE VICTIM HIMSELF WOULD BECOME A HUMAN TURNIP TERMITE OF THE MOST VICIOUS TYPE! - OOPS! - IT'S FLOWN OUT OF THE WINDOW!!
IT'S LITTLE BLACK HEART FILLED WITH BITTERNESS AND HATRED - THE WOUNDED VARMINT PAINFULLY FLUTTERS IT'S WAY BACK OVER THE MOUNTAINS TO DOGPATCH!!!
BZZZ-GROAN!
TSK! - WHUT A PLEASURE T'JEST LOOK AT TURNIPS A-GROWIN' - EVEN THO' AH PROMISED NOT T' EAT NONE -
-AN', AH GOT JEST 'NUFF WILL-POWER T'KEEP MAH PROMISE --OUCH!!
AND THUS-VENTING IT'S HATRED FOR ALL MANKIND, THE LAST TURNIP TERMITE OF THE SEASON DIES-
TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK-
BEFO' GOIN' ON WIF THIS STORY, MISTAH CAPP-REC'LECT THET STORY YO' DID, A WHILE BACK, GOOD-NAYCHURDLY KIDDIN' A SARTIN BOOK?
YES!
WAL-SARTIN' PARTIES OBJECTED -SARTIN PARTIES GOT THAR FEELIN'S HURT! YO' GOTTA MAKE IT RIGHT, MISTAH CAPP!! - IT'S TH' CODE O' TH' HILLS!! -
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